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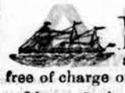

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PROCEEDINGS of the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Commercial and Land Mortgage Bank Limited, held at the Registered Office of the Company, in Thumboo Chetty Street, Madras, at 5 o'clock on the afternoon of THURSDAY, 31st December, 1896.

W. H. OAKES, Esq., in the Chair.

PRESENT:

Messieurs W. H. THORNHILL, S. VENCATAKISTNAMA CHETTIAR, J. DALE, WALJIE LALJEE, W. H. OAKES, T. VISWANATH ROW, T. NILKANTA MEHTA, E. F. STRANACK and 88 Members represented by proxy.

The notice convening the Meeting was read.

The Chairman then proposed that the Proceedings of the Extraordinary General Meeting of WEDNESDAY, the 16th December, 1896, be now confirmed, together with the Special Resolutions passed unanimously thereat. Carried with acclamation.

"Resolved, that the name of the Company be changed from 'The Commercial and Land Mortgage Bank, Limited,' to 'The Commercial Bank of India, Limited,' by which designation it shall hereafter be known."

"Resolved, that the Capital of the Company be increased from Rupees two millions five hundred thousand to Rupees four millions by a further issue of 15,000 shares of Rs. 100 each."

The proposal was seconded by Surgeon-Major W. H. Thornhill and supported by Mr. J. Dale, and on being put to the vote was carried nemine contradicente.

The Chairman notified that further applications for shares had been received, and that the Register for same would be closed on the 4th January, 1897, when the Board would proceed to allotment of all shares to which Members were not entitled.

With the usual vote of thanks to the Chair the Meeting terminated.

Madras, 31st December, 1896.

E. F. STRANACK, Secretary and Treasurer. W. H. OAKES, Chairman.

SPECIAL CIRCULAR.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

Agreeably with clause 45 of the Bank's Articles, and in continuation of the Special Notice conveyed in the Bank's Circular letter, dated 18th September, 1896, I am directed to give notice that allotments under the Special Resolution, authorising the increase of Capital by the creation of 15,000 new shares of Rs. 100 each, which was unanimously passed at the Extraordinary General Meetings on the 16th and 31st December respectively, will take place at the Head Office of the Bank on the 4th January, 1897, after which date applications for shares from Members will not be entertained.

(By Order of the Board,)

E. F. STRANACK,
Secretary and Treasurer.

The Commercial Bank of India (Ld.), Head Office, Madras, 1st January, 1897.

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TOM LeMESURIER,
Honorary Secretary.

Poona, 16th January, 1897.

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C. CROMMELIN,
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Bombay, 20th January, 1897.

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By Order,
BABA LAXUMON,
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Bombay, 2nd January, 1897.

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By Order,
F. D. STRANACK,
Manager.

Esplanade Road, Bombay, 4th January, 1897.

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...£1,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £500,000
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 1 per cent. per annum on Daily Balances if not under Rs. 1,000, and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000.

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BANKS.

	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Divid.	Cash Rate.
		Rs.	Rs.		
Bank of Bombay	20,000	200	all	10 p. c.	1,330
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	10 pr.	300
Bank of Madras	12,000	500	all	10 pr.	1,315
Commercial of Ld. Mgo ...	{15,000 / 15,000}	100	{100 / 75}	10. c.	145
Exchange Bank.					
Agra ...	100,000	200	all	5 pr. ct.	80
Chartered Bank	240,000	480	410	7 pr. ct.	427
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	60,000	1250	all	41-4s.	411
National Bank of India ...	60,000	400	412	6 pr. ct	800
SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES			Half year.		
Alliance ...	1,500	1,100	all		516
Anglo-Indian ...	1,245		100	Nil	45
Asiatic Steam Nav. Co. Ld	6 S	1,000	1,000	80	1,000
Bellasy S & W Co. Ld (Belasry) ...	371	90	all	9 per ct.	290
Bombay Units ...	900	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.60	655
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co.	900	500	500	dvd Rs.30	500
Bombay Na tional Mnfrs	600	1,000	1,000		980
Bombay Dad ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.60	909
Central India	1,000	500	500	dvd Rs.80	1,400
Coorla Mills Co. Ld.	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.8	770
Dby of Bombay Mills ...	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 8	1,000
Dominion ...	6,000	100	100	9 per ct.	125
Dowgachi Mills ...	800	500	500	2	700
Dvaka Land & Mills ...	4,000	700	...	dvd Rs12	600
Gomia Mills ...	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.	550
Gurmahoy Mill ...	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.80	1,800
Dardi Mill ...	1,000	500	500	dvd Rs.30	600
Hira Mills ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	80	800
Empress ...	2,100	500	500	dvd 25	600
Framjee Pet. ...	1,250	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.8	590
Industrial ...	875	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.10	650
Jhangunghai Mills ...	700	500	500	4	670
Howard and Bullough ...	1,870	500	500	2	700
Hope Mills ...	700	1,000	1,000	6	675
Hydernabad ...	700	1,000	1,000	4	1,400
Imperial Cotton	800	500	500	dvd Rs.15	485
Indian Manfg. ...	950	1,000	1,000	8	1,210
Indo-China Manufacturing Co, Ld ...	700	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.	775x1
James Greaves ...	2,100	500	500	2	700
Jaffer Alli ...	900	500	500	dvd Rs.9	225
Jam Manufacturing Co. ...	1,200	250	250	dvd Rs.1	227½
Jowraj Bullo ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.9	975
Jubilee Mills Co., Ld ...	813	1,000	1,000	2	525
Khandalla ...	750	1,500	1,000	dvd Rs8	705
Khangra un Manfg. Co ...	600	25	25	Nil	85
Khatau Mak anjee ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs8	765
Kurla ...	2,500	100	100	dvd Rs.1	250
Lord Reay Mfg	1,000	1,000	1,000	5	800
Lukmidas Spinning & Weaving Co ...	5,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.	985
Madras United	800	1,000	1,000	dvRs.100	3,050
Mahalaxmee ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	600
Mahboob Shah Mills (Gulburga) ...	5,000	500	500	15 pr c	...
Manockjee Petit ...	4,000	1,000	1,000	dv Rs10	2,100
Manajee ...	2,000	25	25	dvd Rs 5	127½
Morarji Gocul das ...	1,056	1,000	1,000	dv Rs75	2,150
Mysore S & M Co Ld ...	6,000	250	250	dv 1	250
Madura Mills ...	7,779	100	100	Nil	90
National ...	500	1,000	1,000	Nil	525
New Great Eastern ...	1,400	2,000	1,000	Rs	660
Oriental ...	6,755	625	625	dvd Rs	350
Presidency Mills Co (Ld).	743	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs8	1,250
Queen Mills ...	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 60	900
Ripon Mills ...	600	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.	1,210
Sassoon ...	2,500	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs8	1,050
Sholapore Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs8	1,525
Soglerdas ...	750	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs8	850
Southern India ...	[2,000	500	500	1	125
Southern Mahratta ...	1,312	250	250	dvRs12	355
Sun M lls, Ld ...	1,200	250	250	dvdRs 3	475
Standard Mills Co. ...	1,500	500	500	2	350
Star of India ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	650
Swadeshi Mills.	575	500	500	dvd Rs8	575
Easton and Alliance ...	900	80	80	dvdRs8	601
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co ...	900	1,000	1,000	2	51
Union Mills Ld	00	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs30	510
Ven ishanker Lukhmidas Co Mill Co Ld ...	930	500	500	dvd Rs40	410x1
Victoria Mills ...	455	1,000	1,000	Nil	453
Western India ...	1,200	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs50	790
Wadia Mills ...	1,000	1,000	1,000	—	30
PRESS COMPANIES.				Yearly	
Akbar ...	200	1,250	1,250	7	1,150
Albert Quarting Co ...	100	500	all	18 pr. ct	45
Albert (Carrichee) ...	200	1,100	1,100	Rs 8	1,150
Bellary ...	167	1,000	1,000	dvd 14	225
Bhownagree City Press & Manfg Co, Ld	650	250	250	2	275
Bombay Coston Brand's Cawnpore Press Co., Ld ...	4,000	125	125	dv Rs12	155
Bombay Commercial ...	600	200	200	1	1874
Byculla City Press Co., Ld	600	200	200	dvd Rs7	230
Colaba ...	600	1,500	1,500	dvd Rs8	305
East India ...	350	1,000	1,000	7	1,375
English and Manfg ...	600	200	...	dvd Rs	95
Fort ...	150	6,500	650	250	1,100
French ...	300	500	500	dvdRs8	510
Harvey and Sapathy ...	450	65	500	dvd Rs8	350
Hingoli Press Co., Ld ...	700	100	10	dvd Rs1	135
Khanagani ...	240	450	45	Rs1	631
Mahava Press Co., Ld ...	300	200	all	15 pr. ct	255
Madhapore Cotton Ginning and P. Co., Ld ...	200	600	400	5	95
Mercantile ...	1,000	125	125	dvd Rs	75
Mofussil Co ...	8,128	400	400	dvd Rs8	200
Munmar M ...	1,000	250	250	11	210
New Bezar ...	1,000	250	250	dvd Rs6	0
New Indian ...	4,000	125	125	dvd Rs	135
Prince of Wales ...	100	500	500	2	475
Satapathy (Bellary) ...	500	500	75	2	333
Samoon ...	300	500	500	2	6
Sind and Punjab Co ...	100	1,000	1,000	20	2,25
Sind ...	400	1,000	750	8	520
Surah Woollen Mills ...	1,200	250	250	Nil	75
Surat City Press Co., Ld.	270	200	all	15	230
Volkart ...	—	1,000	10	dvd Rs8	108
MISCELLANEOUS.			Half yearly		
Alcock Ashdown ...	21,750	125	100	dvd Rs 5	325
Asiatic Fire Insurance Co Ld	—	1,000	100	—	11
Back Bay Baths	800	30	30	1	5
Badhara Plic ...	8,000	100	100	12	155
Bombay & Burma Trading Corporation ...	1,000	2,500	1,500	800	2,450
Do. New Issue ...	600	375	625	75	1,050
Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ld.	1,250	100	100	dvd 3	62
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld ...	600	500	500	5 pr. ct	50
Bombay Flour Mill ...	750	500	500	8	1,230
Deccan Paper Mills ...	1,000	500	500	5 pr. ct	25
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills...	1,000	80	80	dvd Rs16	191
Delhi Cloth & General Mills Co., Ld ...	2,000	25	25	5 pr. c	375
Indian Guarantee Bureau ...	5,000	10	1	10 pr. ct	1
John Roberts & Co ...	1,000	100	100	10 pr. ct	207
Kemp & Co. ...	4,000	200	175	2.	350
Karachee Landing ...	600	500	500	3	20
Maroke & Co. ...	4,000	100	10	dvd Rs1	180
Napier Hotel Co	2,000	100	100	9 pr. ct	40
Napier Foundry ...	1,000	100	50	—	60
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance ...	5,000	200	5	12 pr. ct	160
Phillips & Co., Ld ...	4,000	100	100	dvd Rs8	94
Port Cleaning Co ...	6,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs20	677
Soondry & Co., ...	1,000	100	100	—	30
Thacker & Co ...	2,000	500	500	—	1,000
Thacker & Co, Ld ...	1,000	100	100	12	125
Tyabji Sons Co, Ld ...	6,000	250	100	dvd Rs12	14
RAILWAY COMPANIES.				guar.	295
G. I. P. R. Consolidated Stock ...	—	—	—	5 p. c.	—
G. B. & C. I. R. ...	—	£100	all	5 p. c.	—
Ahmedabad Prantej ...	—	& 18	—	0.	—
The Tapti Valley ...	4,800	500	400	—	—
	28,000	500	50	—	—

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

English Gold ...	Rs.	15-9	
Gold Leaf ...	"	25-12	Nom
Bullion, bar Gold ...	"	24-14	"
Do. do. New ...	"	24-11	"
Australia bar Gold ...	"	24-12	
Japanese bar Gold ...	"	24-12	
Sovereigns ...	"	15-14	
Do. Double ...	"	15-12	
Silver ...	"	0-14	
Do. New ...	"	0-14	

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 37m. Sun sets, 5h. 47m. High water, 1-19m., 1-33s. Low water, 7-37m., 7-24s.
Bombay Light Horse Parade.
Music at the Yacht Club, 5-45 p.m.
Music on the Esplanade, 5-45 p.m.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Bezwada entered, and the steamers Maria Valerio and Rohilla left the dock yesterday.

POLO.—There will be a game, to-day, at 4-30 p.m.

Y. M. C. A., APOLLO BUNDER.—Address to young men, by Mr. Frank Anderson, B.A., on the recent Y. M. C. A. Convention at Calcutta, commencing at 8-45 p.m.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.—There will be the usual handicap races to-morrow (Saturday), for yachts and ships' boats, entries for which will close, at 4 p.m., to-day (Friday).

A DOCTOR ROBBED OF HIS SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS.—Dr. Merwanji Cooverji, residing at Warden Road, has reported to the police the theft of a brown leather bag, containing surgical instruments, of the collective value of Rs. 192-0-3, from a table in his consulting room, on Wednesday noon.

REWARDS.—Mr. Damji Lukhmichand, opium farmer, is offering rewards ranging from Rs. 50 to Rs. 500 to any person or persons who may give information leading to the seizure of smuggled opium and the prosecution of smugglers. The reward will be given in addition to that offered by Government.

POSTAL NOTICES.—With effect from to-day, the charges on Foreign Money Orders and British Postal Orders will be regulated at offices in the Town of Bombay by Schedule 38, viz., is. 2 3-4d. per rupee.—Mails for Singapore and Hongkong, per extra s.s. Bombay, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 10 a.m., on Sunday, the 24th instant.

MR. K. V. DESAI.—A correspondent writes:—"With reference to the para. in this local columns of your issue of Monday, announcing the death of Mr. Krishnarao V. Desai, I may inform you that he is my relative, and his maternal uncle, who is my sister's husband, writes to me that he (Mr. K. V. Desai) is no doubt ill, but is not dead, nor is he suffering from bubonic fever."

THE ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF BOMBAY.—The usual monthly meeting will be held in the Royal Asiatic Society's rooms, Town Hall, at 5-30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 27th instant. Papers to be read: Ethnographical notes on the Kaikadis Caste in Maisiras Taluks of the Sholapur; District, by Mr. Scott, District Deputy Collector, Sholapur; Notes on the Chitpawan Caste, by Rao Saheba Hari Ramchanddra Takle and Narayen Ganesh Sahasrabadha, Mamlatdars, Kanara District, through the Collector, North Kanara.

CHARGE AGAINST A COMMISSION AGENT.—Mr. Hugh Sealy, pleader, appeared at the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, on behalf of Mr. G. Seymore Hales, manager of Messrs. George Bell and Sons, publishers, and obtained a summons against Mr. David Love, charging him with criminal misappropriation in respect of books, valued at Rs. 250. Mr. Love was appointed a commission agent, and while acting as such it was alleged he made this misappropriation.

THE CASE OF ROBBING THE CHIEF JUSTICE'S Cook.—The brown leather bag, containing property, valued at Rs. 170, belonging to Domingo, M. De Souza, a cook in the employ of Sir Charles Farran, the Chief Justice of Bombay High Court, which was reported to have been stolen on the 17th instant from the outhouses of the bungalow, was found by a gowlee, named Sitaram Thakoor, at 7 o'clock, on Wednesday morning, on a pathway opposite Sir Charles Farran's bungalow. The bag had been cut open, and property, consisting of two currency notes, and Rs. 3 in cash, abstracted. The remainder of the property, worth Rs. 147-4-0, was left in the bag. The police inquiries are still in progress.

MUSIC AT THE YACHT CLUB.—By kind permission of Colonel Cooper and Officers, the Band of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, under the direction of Bandmaster Mullins, will play the following programme at the Royal Bombay Yacht Club, this evening, at 5-45:—

March ...	The Liberty Bell ...	Souza
Overture ...	Zampa ...	Herold
Selection ...	The shop Girl ...	Caryll
Song ...	The Lost Chord ...	Sullivan
Selection ...	The Goldiers ...	Jones
Valse ...	Dostrinen ...	Strauss

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE BANDSTAND.—The Band of the 21st Bombay Infantry, under the direction of Bandmaster, A. Mallandaine, will play the following programme of music, at the Esplanade Bandstand, this evening, at 5-45:—

March ...	The Wheelmen's Patrol ...	Banta
Chorus and Cavatina (Alta Horn Solo) ...	Belisario ...	Donizetti
Selection ...	The Goadoliers ...	Sullivan
Valse ...	Hofball Tanze ...	Fetras
Scena and Aria (Euphonium Solo) ...	I Masnadieri ...	Verdi
Mazurka ...	Souvenir de Spezzia ...	Correggio

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

ALLEGED THEFT BY A WORKING PARTNER.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. F. S. Taleyarkhan, Acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, issued a warrant against Mahomed Hoosain Merali on a charge of theft of shark fins, of the value of Rs. 6,200, the property of Mr. Rahimbhoy Mahomed, a merchant, having his godown at Worlee. The circumstances under which the accused, who is said to be the working partner of the complainant's firm, had removed the property from the godown, have already been reported. After the warrant was issued, the accused, who had been present in court with Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin, barrister-at-law, was put under the surveillance of the police, and the whole of the property was recovered by the police in a godown, at Sewree, where it had been conveyed by accused from the complainant's godown.

A LOVING COUPLE.—Before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Acting Third Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, Hector Beluchi prosecuted his wife, Helen Beluchi, a Eurasian, for assaulting him. It was alleged that complainant was driving in a victoria on the 25th ultimo to see some of his friends, when he happened to pass his wife, who was going along the road with her mother and a young man. She gave him a smack with the parasol on that occasion, and at other times she put him in a very awkward position in the presence of his colleagues in the docks. The wife denied the charge, saying she was ill-treated by her husband, because she demanded back from him the gold watch and chain which belonged to her father. The cross case was then proceeded with, and the Worship found that the husband was at fault. Mrs. Beluchi was discharged, and her husband was fined Rs. 5.

HIGH COURT.—JANUARY 22.

(Before the Hon'ble the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. TYABJEE.)

Appeals for hearing and Final Disposal.

231-254 88—Muljee and M—Vundravundas Purshotumdas vs Cursondas Govindjee Madhowjee Virjee.

934—Craigie L and O—Aranyayal Sabapathy Mudaliar vs Kursaily Joosub and another—Hiralal Manji M.

945-69-95—Payne G and S—Hormusjee Adarjee vs Damoder Ruttonsey—Thakurdas D and C.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice STRACHEY.)

Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.

Postponed Long Cause.

50-96—Thakordas D and C—Rehemabhoy Habibbhoy vs Ahmedbhoy Habibbhoy—Manshuklal D and J—Part heard.

DIVINE SERVICE.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.
Friday, January, 22.
6-45 p.m.—Evensong.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m., of the 21st January, 1897.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey ...	...	...	...	...	...
Teheran ...	21	2	21 p.m.	...	23
Suez ...	21	3	0 p.m.	...	5

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m., of the 21st January, 1897.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta ...	...	43	...	1
" Karsoni ...	...	18	...	1
" Madras ...	...	21	...	1

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HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE JARDINE, and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE RANADE.)

MAKING A FALSE CLAIM IN COURT.

IMPERATRIX VS. ASHA KESHIBHAI.

THIS was an appeal by the accused from a decision of Mr. T. D. Fry, acting Sessions Judge of Ahmedabad, who, in October last, found the accused guilty of dishonestly making a false claim in court, and with using as genuine a forged document, and sentenced him to two years' rigorous imprisonment for the first offence, and three years for the second, the sentences to run concurrently. Mr. Branson, with Mr. G. M. Tripathi, appeared for the accused; and the Government pleader appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Justice Ranade said:—In this case the Assistant Sessions Judge, differing from the Assessors, convicted the accused Ashabhai on two charges under Sections 209 and 471, and sentenced him to all to five years rigorous imprisonment. The offences charged were committed in respect of a khata (Exhibit 6) for Rs. 173-5-3 alleged to have been executed in favour of the accused by one Parbhudas on the 25th December, 1893, and on which khata accused brought a suit against Parbhudas on the 0th of August, 1895, in the Borsad Court. Parbhudas denied execution of the khata, and the Sub-Judge held that the khata was not proved, and sanctioned the prosecution of the accused as well as two of the witnesses on his side. The khata sued upon included two items, one of Rs. 75-12-0 alleged to have been paid in cash by Ashabhai (accused) to Purshotam Mathur on account of Parbhudas, and another of Rs. 97-8-0 agreed to be paid in cash to Purshotam on behalf of Parbhudas. The case for the accused is that Parbhu owed to Purshotam the sum of Rs. 173-5-3, and accused paid off in part this debt in cash, and agreed to pay all the balance to Purshotam, and it was in consideration of this obligation and payment that Parbhu passed the khata in favour of the accused. Parbhudas on the other hand, while admitting that he had thatassed a khata to Purshotam for Rs. 173-4-0 (Baba Shabi) on the 18th April, 1893, contended that khata was passed not for any cash borrowed by him for his own purposes, but for his standing surety to one Kishore, who had borrowed from Purshotam Rs. 150 in British currency about 18th and 20th April, 1893, (Exhibits 15 and 16), and drawn two hundies in Purshotam's favour. When these hundies were not honoured, Purshotam sued Kishore on one of them, and a compromise then arrived at between Kishore and Purshotam, by which Kishore satisfied Purshotam's claim, partly in cash, and partly by getting the accused Ashabhai to pass a Kabulayat to Parshotam for Rs. 97-8-0 on 25th December, 1893, and that, as thereuslt of this compromise, Purshotam passed a receipt, discharging Kishore from all liability to him, and at the same time Purshotam passed a receipt in his own (Parbhudas') favour on the same day in respect of the surety obligation. There was thus nothing due by-him to Purshotam, and there was no occasion for the accused Ashabhai making any payment or undertaking any liability to Purshotam on his, i. e., Purbhudas' account. The liability for Rs. 97-8-0 undertaken by Ashabhai (accused) was really on account of Kishore, for which he took a khata from Kishore, and Parbhudas had no connection with it, and he did not pass any khata in favour of the accused Purshotam, who gave evidence for accused in respect of the khata on which Parbhudas was sued, and whose prosecution was sanctioned at the same time with that of the accused, maintained that his dealings with Kishore on the hundies, were separate from his dealings with Parbhudas on his khata for Rs. 173-4-0 that this latter was a cash transaction and not a mere surety obligation, and that the compromise effected a settlement of both debts separately by a novation of the contract, Ashabhai taking up his place in regard to Kishore and also of Purbhudas. These are briefly the respective contentions of the parties. The Assistant Sessions Judge, on a consideration of the evidence, came to the conclusion that in the earlier transactions between Kishore and Parbhudas on one side and Parshotam on the other, Parbhudas only passed the khata as surety for the loan advanced to Kishore, and that he did not borrow cash on that khata for himself separately, and that when Kishore settled Purshotam's claim by the compromise of 25th December, 1893, Purbhudas was released from all liability to Parshotam by the receipt which the latter passed in his favour along with the receipt passed to Kishore, and that the liability under taken by the accused Ashabhai to Purshotam was undertaken by him for Kishore and not for Parbhudas. He accordingly held that the khata on which accused brought his suit against Parbhudas was orged, and the claim was fraudulently instituted. The conviction of the accused thus rests chiefly on the view that the Assistant Sessions Judge took of the original khata transaction between Parbhudas and Purshotam being only a surety obligation, and not an independent loan to Purbhudas, and discharged, when Ashabhai (accused) substituted himself for Purshotam's place as Kishore's creditor and Purshotam gave a release to Parbhudas. This view of the original transaction led the Judge to give credence to Parbhudas' denial of the execution of the khata, though it is stated in the judgment that the handwriting of the signature on the khata bore some resemblance to Parbhu's acknowledged handwriting, and to disbelieve Purshotam's statement to the contrary. The counsel for the accused contented before us that the Assistant Sessions Judge could not have based his conviction so largely on mere coincidences and probabilities. There may be good grounds for establishing a civil liability, but they do not justify to the same extent convictions for a criminal offence. He also urged that in the civil suit independent witnesses had sworn to the execution of the khata, and that the writer of the khata who was also prosecuted criminally was acquitted by the Sessions Court, Parbhudas' and Kishore's evidence was, it was alleged, tainted by self-interests, and the coincidences of dates and amounts of the original dealings, and the subsequent receipts were not so complete as to exclude all possibility of doubt. It was also contended that if Parbhudas' obligation was only as surety, there was no reason why no mention of the fact was made in the accounts, and why he was not made a party when Kishore in Purshotam's suit. After giving the fullest consideration to the points noted above, we do not think that they in any way affect the substantial correctness of the conclusion at which the Assistant Sessioned Judge has arrived. We think the Assistant Sessionss Judge was right in the view he took of the nature of the original transactions, namely, that there was only one loan and not two separate loans advanced by Purshotom to Kishore and Parbhudas. The judgment of the lower court has set forth the reasons for this view very carefully, and it is not necessary to go over the same ground again here. The coincidences of dates and amounts are too many and too minute to be mere accidents, and all doubt on the point is set at rest by the references in the receipts (Exhibit 9), and so the khata entries of Parbhudas to Kishore's hundies. While we agree with the Assistant Sessions Judge so far, we think there is another view possible consistent with the conclusion that the original loan transaction was one and not two separate transactions. This view does not appear to have suggested itself to the Assistant Sessions Judge, though there are ample materials in the record to substantiate it or at least to render it so highly probable as to turn the balance the other way. The evidence shows clearly that Kishore was a stranger to the village, and his circumstances were none of the best. Parbhudas, on the other hand, was a patidar and could be trusted. Though nominally a surety, he was the person who rendered himself liable to the creditor as a principal. The loan was admittedly made in Babashahi currency as stated in his khata, and the money paid into the hands of Parbhudas and not of Kishore. Parbhudas himself admitted that if he had not stood surety no one would have come forward to help Kishore. After the novation of the contract the accused Ashabhai came to occupy the place of Parbhudas as the prop of Kishore's business and became gumasta of Kishore in Purbhu's place. The creditor looked to Parbhudas as his principal debtor, and Kishore was only a man of straw put forth by Parbhudas for his own interest. Such nominal sureties, but real principals, are not unknown in public work contracts, and there is nothing unusual in such transactions. The suit against Kishore was admittedly suggested by Parbhudas and the compromise was also his own hand-work. In the view suggested above the khata of Parbhudas would represent virtually the principal dealing, and when the novation of the contract took place this same state of things would be continued. Admittedly Purshotam's debt was not fully paid by Kishore. Only part of it was paid in cash, and for the rest, Ashabhai stepped into Purshotam's place as regards Pharbhudas and Kishore. Ashabhai had no concern with the previous dealings, and if he undertook any liability for Kishore, it is but natural that he would do so not trusting solely to Kishore's credit which was nil, but to that credit propped up by Parbhudas's obligation, to make it good. Parbhudas incurred no new responsibility by the novation of the contract which substituted Ashabhai in Purshotam's place. The languages of Purbhudas' receipt releasing him from all liability to Purshotam would be intelligibly explained on this basis, and the cross references in the receipts and accounts to the old hundee dealings would also be in their place. On no other supposition can it be explained why Ashabhai should step in to support Kishore known to be insolvent. The Assistant Sessions Judge has chiefly convicted Ashabhai because he was of opinion that Ashabhai undertook the liability for Rs 97-8-0 on Kishore's account and not on account of Purbhudas. If in the original transaction the principal party rusted by the creditor Purshotamdas was Purbhudas, and not Kishore, in the reviewed arrangement the same state of things would all in likelihood be continued, and Purbhudas would be the person trusted by Ashabhai to see that he suffered no loss. In the view here suggested there is nothing improbable in Parbhudas passing a khata to Ashabhai for the balance still due of the old date. Parbhudas entirly failed to show how his full liability under the old khata was discharged by a partial payment made by Kishore to Purshotam. The circumstances at once disposes of the improbability on which the conviction rests. The resemblance of handwriting and the oral evidence of Purshotam would have come in and support the contention of the accused. The Assistant Sessions Judge disposed of the case under the impression that there were only two alternatives open for consideration, and that if the original transactions of Purshotam with Kishore and Parbhudas were not separate but one the conviction of the accused must follow. As stated above, there is a third alternative possible and consistent with the principal conclusion of the Assistant Sessions Judge, and which is not open to any of the objections noted above. This third alternative is consistent with the execution of a khata by Parbhu to Ashabhai in continuation of the old understanding, and is in itself more probable than the view adopted by the Judge below. Ashabhai had no interest in the old dealings, and it is not necessary for his case to prove that the old dealings were separate and not one. It is enough if the principal responsibility for that dealing rested on Parbhudas and not on Kishore. We must give him the benefit of the doubt and of the finding of the assessors in his favour. We, accordingly, reverse the conviction and sentence and order his discharge.

For the reasons given by their Lordships, the court reversed the conviction of and the sentence passed upon the accused, who was ordered to be discharged.

ENTRIES FOR BOMBAY FOURTH EXTRA MEETING.

To be held at Mahaluxmi on Saturday.

FIRST RACE.—"Pony Scurry." Distance—½ mile.
H H Maharajah of Kolhapur's ch g Observer
Mr Alavi Dos nan's b g Jodi
Mr Jamsetjee Dhunjeeshaw's g g Maga, (13-11)
Mr A F Mahomed's b a p Ghaseb
Mr Ali bin Ameer's b a p Pleader
Mr Tehamoljee Jehanbhoy's ch a p Dover

SECOND RACE.—"The Worlee Stakes." Distance—6 furlongs.
Mr Ali bin Talib's ch g gal Red Ruby
Mr Ayid Tammi's g g gal Soobeh
Mr Ali bin Ameer's ch a p Pretender
Aga Mirza's ch g gal German
Mr Manomed H Abdoola's ch g gal Ardahan
Mr S A W's g g gal Mistake, (13-3)

THIRD RACE.—"The January Stakes." Distance—5 furlongs.
Mr Aamol Bushar's b a p Natal, (Rs 750)
Mr B A Davar's ch g p Cardigan, (Rs 1,000)
Mr R M Phiddip's b a p Blood Orange, (Rs 500)
Mr C Howett's ch a p Imam Boy II, (Rs 1,000)
Mr C Rutz njee's g a p Singora, (Rs 1,250)
Mr Musjid Mohin's ch a p Gold Finder (Rs 750)
Mr Ali bin Ameer's b g gal Umballa, (Rs 750)

FOURTH RACE.—"The International Stakes." Distance—6 furlongs.
Mr Ahmed Bushari's g a p Liverpool
Mr Hajee Hossein's ch g gal Parsee
Mr Fischer's b w m Hawksmith, (13-3)
Mr Essa bin Khatiffa's g g gal Rustum
Mr Ali bin Talib's b g Ilal
Mr Ali bin Talib's b g gal Ajmere
Mr R Soomjee Ardaseer's b g gal Nobleman
Aga S Shah's ch g gal Russian
H H Aga Khan's ch w m Shedate Placida)
The Hyderabad Confederate's ch a p Ringleader
Mr Mahomed Ismail Khan's g a p Naughty Boy
Mr Ali bin Ameer's ch a p gal Solicitor
Mr Abdool Aziz bin Saif's g a p Analza

FIFTH RACE.—"The Debut Stakes." Distance—6 furlongs.
Chief of Bhaisali's br a h Young Revenge
Mr Ali bin Talib's ch a g gal Sholapur
Mr Ali bin Ameer and Musjid's g a h Kohinoor

SIXTH RACE.—"The Galloway Plate." Distance—7 furlongs.
Mr Ahmed Bushari's g g gal Chanda
Mr Lyndon's b a p gal Nadir
Mr Ali bin Talib's w m a p Hadhan
Mr Ali bin Talib's ch a p gal Kava Rib
Mr Faid bin Feed's b a p Kazadan
Mr Hakim M Muswood's g g gal Delhi
H H Aga Khan's b a p gal Rioso
Mr Ali bin Ameer's ch a p gal Solicitor
Mr Abdool Razzack Obajee's ch a p Prince Karl

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Bombay, 21st January, 1897.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 21.

Cumberlege, Lt. Ms. R E, on leave, from Bellary.
Penwick, Major, M.s Dorset Regt, on leave, from Bangalore.
Roddy, Lt. Ms, Chief Dept, on leave, from Bareilly.
Kilbery, Surg Capt, M. s. A M S, on leave, from Bangalore.
Stuart, Lt, 25th Bo Rifles, on duty, from Quetta.
Wolley Dod, Capt, Bo Lan Fus, on leave, from Quetta.

DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 21.

Fletcher, Col, Bo, I G of ordinance, on duty, to Poona.
Stuart, Lt, Bo 25th Bo Rifles, on duty, to Poona.

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BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR G. W. ROUGHTON, COMMANDING R. V. A.
Bombay, 22nd January, 1897.

1. The Range Finding Class will meet at the Bhandarwada Reservoir, Mazagon, this morning at 7 a.m. sharp.
2. There will be class firing at Cooria to-day. Recruits are particularly requested to attend. Trains leave the Victoria Terminus at 6, 6-40, and 7-5 a.m. (Bombay time) and Byculla 12 minutes later in each case.
3. The Corps will parade to-morrow (Saturday), the 23rd instant, on the Apollo Bunder at 4 p.m. sharp, and proceed by launch to Colaba to continue the Annual Gun Target Practice.
Dress—Drill Order, without Arms. Puttees to be worn.
The launch will leave the Apollo Bunder as soon after 4 o'clock as possible.
Cyclist members of the Corps attending Gun Target Practice can parade at the Corps Club at 4-15 p.m. sharp

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AUCTION SALE OF RICH OPEN-CARVED NEW FURNITURE SUITABLE FOR HOME PRESENTS.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed will sell by Public Auction, at Medows Street, Fort, next to Messrs. Morgans and Co., on account of the concerned, the following rich open-carved new furniture, such as teapoys of various patterns, round tables, foot stools, wall brackets, wall mirrors, chiffoniers of different sizes, etc.

The property is now on view.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE,

On MONDAY, the 25th inst., at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece-goods, and the following:—

Teak and blackwood household furniture, such as sofas, cushioned chairs, easy chairs, dining table, arm and without arm chairs, glass cupboard, book-case, clothes press, chest of drawers, hat and book stands, dressing and wash-hand tables, round and pier tables.

2 bales 45,000 corks.
1 corks grinding machine.
6 bundles brass wire netting.
An invoice of English-made steeltrunks.
On account and at the risk of the concerned—
H 93-1897 and 16,946—2 cases each 500 dozen knives.
H 94-1764, and 17068—2 cases each 250 dozen knives.
H A H 17321—1 case 60 dozen scissors.
On account and at the risk of Ebrahim Mahomedally.
F B 2951—1 case bronze powder 400 lbs.
By order of Mr. Ebramji Vullji and on account and at the risk of Mr. F. Mitchell.—
1 gold chain with coin and pencil case.
On account of the underwriters.—
12 bales paper damaged by sea-water.

AT 2 P. M.

1 strong-built double-seated brougham.
1 serviceable office-shigram.
1 second-hand strong victoria.
1 strong-built Madras-made brougham.
And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

BONA-FIDE SALE.

On SATURDAY, the 13th prox., at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Khetwady, 12th Lane, the handsome teak and blackwood French-polished household furniture, crockery and glassware, a sweet-toned brass bound square pianoforte by John Broadwood and Sons, strong-built victoria with a bay Arab horse and harness, table ornaments, lamps, Brussels' carpet, etc., the property of A. E. CLARKE, Esq.

The property will be on view 4 days before the sale.

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Bombay, 22nd January, 1897.

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No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at 3 p. m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction at their Sale Rooms, No. 22, Apollo Street, Fort, valuable and handsome teak and blackwood French-polished household furniture, consisting of dining, dressing and wash-hand tables, cupboards, chairs bedsteads, drawing-room couches, marble clocks table and hanging kero-ine lamps, table ornaments, &c., the property of Mrs. H. WINCLAIR.

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1 strong victoria with removable coach-box with a black-Arab horse and harness, a nice turn-out.
1 bay Australian mare, 15 hands, broken to single and double harness.
1 bay Arab, aged 10, 14-1 in height, broken to saddle and harness, no vice.
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 21.

At the weekly biddings for Indian Council Bills in London yesterday, only 5½ lakhs were allotted to Bombay out of the 40 lakhs offered, at 1s. 3d., tenders at which rate were accepted in full, this rate showing a decline of 9-32d. from the previous Wednesday's regular allotment price for Bills, and of 5-16d. from the rate obtained for the extra Bills placed meantime. It is announced that 50 lakhs will be offered next week. The Exchange Banks' buying rate in London on India at 30 days' sight was further put down ¼d., say, to 1s. 2¾d.

Consols in London declined 1-16d. per cent. yesterday, to 112 5-8; but Indian Sterling loan was unchanged at 117¼. The market rate of discount on short London Bills and six months' sight Indian Bank Paper was further reduced by 1-8th per cent., making it stand at 2 5-8 per cent., all round. 3¾ per cent. Rupee Securities declined 3-8ths per cent., to £62 1-8. The price of Bar Silver was unchanged in London; at 29 11-16; and in New York, also, the metal was unchanged in value, with demand Exchange on London unaltered. French Rentes in Paris were ¼ per cent. higher, at 102¾; Paris Exchange on London was a centime lower, at fes. 25·21½

Spot Mid.-American Cotton in Liverpool was 1-32d. per lb. higher yesterday at, 3 31-32d. per lb., and Arrivals were 1-64 to 3-64d. dearer, the extreme quotations being 3 15-16d. per lb. both for January and May-June deliveries. Quotations for East Indian Cotton also come 1-32d. higher. The market closed firm; Surats quiet; and Arrivals steady; the day's Sales having been 10,000 bales, inclusive of 200 East Indians. The day's Imports were 16,000 bales. The Manchester market was quiet.

An advance of 1-16 cent took place in the price of ready Mid.-Uplands Cotton in New York yesterday, at 7 5-16 cents per lb.; and April Futures were 11 points higher; at 7-15 cents per lb. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 19,000 bales, and the following comparison is now shown between this season's arrivals to date, and those for the same time in the two preceding years:—

	1897.	1896.	1895.
Wednesday's Receipts ...	19,000	19,000	38,000
Four days' do.	99,000	75,000	145,000
Since 1st Sept. 1893	5,354,000	3,842,000	5,846,000

COTTON.—Exporters have made some purchases of ready Oomra descriptions and Bengal to-day on about the basis of previous rates; but the Mills keep out of the market for the present; and a large number of dealers have gone away, making it difficult to obtain reliable quotations.

Excepting that 16 cents of rain had fallen in the Cawnpore district of the Bengal Cotton circle; and that the plants in the Wudwan district of the Dhollera circle (which were ready for picking) were suffering from cold winds, there is nothing fresh to notice in connection with the telegraphic reports issued this morning, the weather continuing fine and seasonable over the greater portion of the Cotton area.

WHEAT and SEEDS are neglected; but prices are nominally unchanged.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday, were as follows:—

Cotton	9,214 bales.
Gingelly	1,702 cwt.
Groundnuts	1,551 „
Rice	3,305 „

EXCHANGE opened with a weak feeling at 1s. 2 15-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and at 1s. 3 1-8d. for three months' sight Credits. A fair amount of Wire Transfer was reported, at 1s. 2 15-16d; and, later on, moderate amount of three months' sight Bills were placed at 1s. 3 1-8d; but before the close, Calcutta rates coming firmer, ours hardened, leaving off steady as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 2 31-32d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 2 31-32d.	„
Do. 3 months' sight.....	1s. 3 1-32d.	„
Credits do.	1s. 3 1-8d.	„
Francs do.	1·59	„

GOVERNMENT PAPER was quoted at opening at 100 3-16 for Money and 100 5-16 for Account and rates remained in the same level for 3½ per Cents, all day, closing the same, but being nominal to a great extent in the absence of business.

SHARES.—This market remains practically closed in the absence of brokers, and quotations are nominally unchanged.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 7th Novembe , 1896, on 461 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	92,000	1,12,000	4,000	2,08,000
Or per mile of Railway	199	243	9	451
For previous 18 weeks of half-year.	16,09,606	21,35,848	67,715	38,13,169
Total for 19 weeks...	17,01,606	22,47,848	71,715	40,21,169
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,23,333	1,91,305	2,235	3,16,873
Per mile of Ry do.	267	415	5	687
Total to corresponding date do.	17,42,122	24,77,683	54,567	42,74,362

Decrease for the week..... Rs. 1,03,873
Ditto to date ..... „ 2,53,192

GODHRA-RUTLAM NAGPUR RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 7th November, 1896, on 140·57 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings [estimated.]	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	3,000	7,900	20	10,920
Or per mile of Railway	22	56	...	78
For previous 18 weeks of half-year.	59,411	1,92,195	2,575	2,54,181
Total for 19 weeks...	62,411	2,00,095	2,595	2,65,101
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	4,002	15,411	29	19,462
Per mile of Ry. do.	35	134	...	169
Total to corresponding date do.	57,566	1,63,909	1,211	2,21,786

Decrease for the week ..... Rs. 8,542
Increase to date ..... „ 43,315

I. M. RAILWAY.

(Week ending 31st December 1896.)

Description.	1896.	1895.	Inc. for the week.	Dec. for the week.	Aggregate Inc.	Aggregate Dec.
Miles Open	752	752	..	..	..	..
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Passengers,	91,975	85,088	6,887	...	37,074	...
Parcels, &c.	1,06,678	91,379	15,299	..	2,37,772	...
Goods						
Other earnings	—31,886	—43,547	11,661	...	...	1,234
Total for week	1,66,767	1,32,920	33,847	...	...	...
Aggregate..	25,97,256	22,73644	...	...	3,23,612	...

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

(Open 1,490½ Miles.)

The following is the Statement of Traffic for week ending 14th November, 1896:—

	Coaching Traffic.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic.	Other Earnings (Estimated)	Total Earnings
	Receipts.	Receipts.		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total ..	1,68,809	3,70,184	5,389	5,44,382
Corresponding week last year. Open 1,490½ Miles..	...	...	...	8,22,285

OPIUM REVENUE.

THE Opium Revenue to date compared with the Estimates for the year 1896-97, up to 13th January 1897, are as follows:—

	In Jan. 1897. Bengal.	In Dec. 1896. Bombay.	Total.
Estimate	42,25,000	12,00,000	54,25,000
Actual	35,38,725	8,88,600	44,27,325
Better than Estimate	.....	.....	.....
Worse than Estimate.....	6,86,275	3,11,400	9,97,675

THE sales of Bengal Opium and nine months' Pass Duty on Opium exported from Bombay.

	To end of Jan. 1897.	To end of Dec. 1896.	
	Bengal.	Bombay.	Total.
Estimate	4,22,50,000	1,28,00,000	5,50,50,000
Actual	4,13,57,700	1,00,34,975	5,13,92,675
Better than Estimate	.....	.....	.....
Worse than Estimate ...	8,92,300	27,65,025	36,57,325

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

COLLINGWOOD—January 18, the wife of C. C. Collingwood, 5, Lansdowne Road Calcutta, of a daughter.

THORNHILL—January 16, at Madras, the wife of Captain J. Thornhill, 6th Regt. M.I., of a son.

MARRIAGE.

LAURIE—SEDGLEY—December 30, at St. John's Church, Ranigasi, by the Rev. A. F. Lyle, Frank George Laurie, to Mabel Maud, eldest daughter of T. Sedgley, Esq.

DEATHS.

BLAKER—January 16, at 3, Russell Street, Calcutta, Edward Spencer Blaker, M.A., M.D., Cantab.

CLARK—January 13, at the Mission House, Nussearabad, Rajputana, Mary Crawford, the beloved wife of Dr. Wm. Clark, Medical Missionary United Presbyterian Church of Scotland.

GOULDING—January 18, at Calcutta, of pneumonia, Master Frank Goulding, of Pollard's Lilliputian Opera Co, aged 13.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*** ALL communications intended for publication in our columns, should be addressed to the Editor, and not to any individual member of the staff.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1897.

WE referred yesterday to the measures decided upon at the informal Council meeting held at the Secretariat on Wednesday, at which Mr. Snow, the Municipal Commissioner, was present. It was arranged that Surgeon-Major Street, Deputy Sanitary Commissioner of the Central Division, shall come down to Bombay and act as adviser to the Municipal Commissioner in certain matters connected with the present epidemic. He will come as a Government servant, not as an executive officer. We learn that it is not suggested that he should be appointed by the Corporation to be a Deputy Municipal Commissioner. His functions will be those of a sanitary expert, whose services are desired by the Municipal Commissioner. He will keep Government in touch with all measures that are adopted by the Municipality. His duties will for the most part be those of an out-of-door officer, inspecting personally all parts of the city and helping practically the Health Department in the vigorous measures they have been steadily pursuing for the last three months. The Sanitary Expert will in no way interfere with the work of that Department as his function will be that of an adviser. To prevent delay or circumlocution he will advise the Municipal Commissioner direct as to any measures that in his judgment may seem desirable. Those acquainted with Dr. Street and his work in the Central Division are confident that his appointment will prove acceptable to the Municipality, to the Municipal Commissioner, to the Health Department, and to the public generally. He has the reputation of an able and well-qualified Sanitary Officer, endowed with energy and initiative. Surgeon-Major Kirtikar will also come to Bombay, where he officiated on two occasions as Health Officer in the absence of Dr. Weir. He will be an additional medical officer. His services will be lent to the Municipality. He will work under the orders of the Municipal Commissioner, not as an independent Government servant. He will be employed in the very necessary work of house-to-house visitation and inspection—a very delicate duty, which he may be relied on to carry through with tact and thoroughness. He will thus supplement the special work of Dr. Weir and Dr. Jennings in a branch of it for which there is not at present adequate provision, though a great deal has been done in the cleansing, disinfecting, and lime-washing of houses. That arduous work has proved of great value even in the worst parts of the Native Town, though possibly not so effectual as setting fire to houses might be. This latter expedient, so vehemently urged by the fire and brimstone salvationists, is not as yet within the domain of practicable sanitation. The sweeping destruction of house and home would ruin thousands of poor people who would never be compensated. Wealthy house-owners might secure compensation by costly legal proceedings, and they would least deserve it, for it is they who are responsible for ill-built chawls which have been the cradle and the nurseries of the present pestilence. However, setting fire to Bombay has not as yet been advocated by any responsible person; the panic-monger cannot be regarded as responsible for what he says or writes. The Government of India, as we intimated yesterday, will be asked to send twenty medical officers of the class of Assistant Surgeons and Senior Hospital Assistants to supplement the efforts of the twenty-seven men of that class already employed by the Municipality. The supply of medical men of that class in this Presidency is exhausted. These men will be wanted to help Drs. Weir, Jennings, and Kirtikar. It is to be hoped that the Executive will be able to vastly increase the numbers of men employed on the prosaic but essential duty of lime-washing in all parts of the town—so as to outflank and head off the disease and prevent its spreading. But, as we have already pointed out, cleansing and disinfecting and lime-washing are expedients for present use. To protect the city against a recurrence of the visitation the slums must be abolished, the drainage completed, the kutchra carried beyond the city limits, and the intramural cemeteries closed. All this is imperative and urgent.

ONE of the main principles upon which distress is relieved by the State is to undertake such works as will promote the future agricultural prosperity of the people and to some extent at least serve as an insurance against famine in future. But wise as this principle is it has to be subordinated to the primary object of saving the lives of the people, and when schemes fulfilling the conditions it imposes cannot be undertaken within reasonable distance of the places where distress exists, works of less permanent benefit have to be resorted to. Unlike more populous areas in other parts of India, the Deccan districts do not lend themselves so readily to works of a distinctly productive character as to make the secondary principle of famine relief very easy of application. Many of such works were carried out in the famine of twenty years ago, and very few that are suitable for relief purposes now remain for execution. Hence it is that almost all the works in progress at the present time consist of road improvements and the breaking of metal. The relief programme being carried out, includes a scheme of stone-breaking, which if completed will give on an average a supply to each district of the Deccan for the next ten years, and in some cases enough will be available for double that period. The only large work of a distinctly reproductive kind which it is proposed at present to take in hand is the construction of a tank at Shelpal, in the Poona district, for irrigation purposes, and this will give employment to some ten thousand people. When famine was first threatened a correspondent urged in these columns that the construction of tanks in the parched-up districts should form the principle item in the relief programme. From an abstract point of view it cannot be denied that money spent upon tanks would be of greater permanent benefit to the affected districts than the preparation of large supplies of road metal. But when one proceeds from the abstract to the concrete, it is found that the difficulties in the way of construction of tanks as relief works are numerous. So many hands have to be employed upon them that if they were the main plank of the famine programme the distance test would have to be reimposed, and people would be compelled to go far from their homes for relief. A considerable amount of skilled labour is needed in the construction of tanks, and this would severely tax the supervising organisation, which is expensive and not always obtainable. Moreover, when the famine ends and the normal state of things recurs, a large expenditure would still be required on skilled labour for the completion of the work, and in this way the resources of Government would be mortgaged for three or four years to come. This difficulty was experienced with regard to the tanks executed in the last famine which were a drag on the financial arrangements of Government.

The objections we have indicated might be overcome if there was a reasonable prospect that the outlay would be subsequently justified by the monetary results of well irrigation. But experience has shown that either from the porous nature of the soil or from other causes, tank irrigation in most parts of the Deccan yields results not commensurate with the outlay involved, and that from a financial point of view they are from the first doomed to failure. The people are willing enough to use the tanks, and in years of deficient rainfall all the water is taken. But the area each tank is capable of serving is so small that an adequate return on the money expended is not secured. In any case the relief operations will cost the Presidency considerably over a crore of rupees, and it is very essential that the financial aspects of the question should be very carefully considered. On the whole, it would seem that tank construction, desirable as it may be in the abstract, is not the best plan of providing work for the distressed when the question is looked at from the point of view of practical politics. It is to be regretted that a more enterprising spirit on the part of the railway company whose line runs through the heart of the Deccan, has not made earth-works available as a form of famine relief. One or two schemes of extension have been in hand for some time, and it may be hoped that they will be undertaken and the earth-works constructed as relief measures. The railway companies lose nothing by this, since they take over the work from Government at a fair valuation. The amount they pay is very much less than the cost price, as famine works are always far more expensive than those performed by ordinary labour. In the present famine, however, the workers are much better able to earn their wages than was the case twenty years ago. This is because Government have adopted the humane and economic policy of taking time by the forelock, and opened the works before acute distress, with resultant deterioration of the physique of the people, was felt. Hence all reports from the districts speak of the labourers as being well and in good condition. Indeed, some of them who, like the weavers, are accustomed to sedentary employment, are stated to have improved in condition owing to the healthiness of outdoor life.

THE mortuary statistics published in yesterday's *Government Gazette* give the number of deaths from bubonic fever at 470, a higher number than yet returned, but still one which cannot be accepted as accurate. It is higher than last week's total by 135. The total death-roll of the week amounted to 1,758, equivalent to a death-rate of 109·78 per annum per thousand on a population of 821,764. The average weekly total of deaths for the corresponding weeks of the past five years is but five hundred, so there are still upwards of seven hundred extra deaths to be accounted for after deducting the 470 fatal bubonic fever cases. 267 deaths are reported to have resulted from affections of the respiratory organs as compared with an average of less than a hundred, and 189 from phthisis against a weekly mean of seventy, while diarrhœa and dysentery, together, carried off eighty-nine as compared with thirty-five. Remittent fever is held to account for 405 cases, whereas the average is only about a-fourth of that number. There can be little doubt that medical practitioners of sorts are failing to send in correct returns as to the cause of death in many cases. However, the returns as they stand show that Mandvie, the district where the pestilence first broke out, is now one of the healthiest in the city—only eleven cases of fever of any kind having ended fatally. Dhobi Talao, Kamatipura, and Worli each report forty fatal cases of bubonic fever. Byculla had thirty-four, while North Fort and Khetwady had each over twenty. South Fort and the Water divisions were the only sections of the Municipal district which reported no fatal cases of plague. Seventy-six cases are shown under the head, "Non-resident and unknown," which means that the sufferers were found in waste places or outhouses without any indications to lead to identification. For the most part they appear to have been beggars or outcastes. The "race" table shows that the Jains lost fifteen of bubonic fever, Brahmins, twenty; Lingaets, Bhatias, Eurasians, and Europeans one each; Hindus of all castes, 331; Mussulmans, nineteen; and Native Christians, thirty-seven. Jews, Negro-Africans, and Chinese, an aggregate of 5,357, are the only communities which escaped. The total of births is shown to have fallen from 257 to 138.

As was to be expected, the announcement made in these columns last Monday, and confirmed last evening by the issue of a Government notification, of the intended suspension of the pilgrim traffic from Bombay and Karachi, has excited considerable comment among the Mahomedans. It has been suggested to Government that the Governor-General of Portuguese India should be requested to take steps to prevent the embarkation of pilgrims at Marmugao, which would practically defeat the object the authorities have in view, namely, to prevent the transmission of plague to Mecca and Medina and thence to Turkey and Egypt. The leaders of the Mahomedan community know that this measure is being taken from no other motive than the welfare of the followers of Islam in India as well as in other parts of the world. Embarkation of pilgrims from Calcutta and Madras is not prohibited, so that there is no reason whatever for discontent. Careful medical scrutiny will of course be necessary to prevent the embarkation of sufferers from plague at Calcutta or Madras, but no sensible man can have a word to say against a precaution so obviously necessary.

A MEETING of mill jobbers, held on Wednesday evening, came to the resolution to ask the mill-hands to take the suicidal course of leaving Bombay *en masse* if their employers do not consent to close their mills on the 1st February, and keep them closed for that month or for a longer period if the plague has not disappeared before March. One of the reasons put forward for urging this course is that the mills are at present worked at a loss, and that therefore their employers ought not to feel any great difficulty in complying with the demand. The sincerity of this argument was shown by the recommendation that if the employers did not comply, all the hands should quietly abscond and refuse to remain behind even for the inducement of higher wages. It is clear that the interests of the employers were not uppermost in their minds when the speakers dwelt on the necessity of relieving them from present loss by threatening them with a strike and the enforced closure of the mills. Still less were the interests of the mill-hands in their thoughts when they counselled men and women now in receipt of good wages, while singularly exempt from the prevailing sickness, should throw up their work, and betake themselves to the districts where there is no work to be had and food is scarce and dear. It is notorious that the movement has been set on foot by interested parties who wish to reduce the relatively prosperous mills to the level of others which are not so prosperous and cannot keep their machinery at work. It is a very serious matter to close all the mills of the city and send into the Moffussil some fifty or sixty thousand penniless men and women to add to the number of the unemployed and the starving whose only resource will be the relief-works opened for the suffering agricultural population.

His Excellency the Lieut.-General Commanding the Forces, Bombay, will inspect the troops in garrison on a Review Parade on Tuesday, the 26th instant, at 7-30 a.m. After the parade, the Native Infantry Camps and the Native Infantry Hospitals will be visited. Dress for Parade—Review Order summer. His Excellency will inspect the Harbour Forts on Wednesday, the 27th instant, at 7-30 a.m., in the following order: (1) Oyster Rock, (2) Middle Ground, (3) Cross Island.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL C. D. COOPER, 2nd Royal Dublin Fusiliers, has been deputed to take the annual inspection of the 1st Battalion of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteers. Colonel

TELEGRAMS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

FAMINE BLUE BOOK.

LONDON, JAN. 21.

A blue book on the Indian Famine has appeared in which a despatch of Lord George Hamilton, dated the 15th January, says the burden of battling with the Famine rests primarily with Lord Elgin and his officials in India, and that constant interference from home is unnecessary and mischievous; but that he would wish for periodical information so as to be able to advise on the general conduct of the operations.

EXTENSION OF THE RISING IN CAPE COLONY.

Advices from the Cape state that three sons of the Basuto Chief Lerothodi have revolted, and that troubles have also arisen at Kokstadt, in East Griqualand.

THE TRIAL OF BELL, THE ALLEGED DYNAMITER.

The trial of the dynamiter Bell has suddenly ended, the Treasury having abandoned the case for want of evidence.

AN ANGLO-ITALIAN COMBINATION AGAINST THE DERVISHES.

The "Daily News'" Rome correspondent states that Great Britain and Italy are arranging a war scheme against the Dervishes for the next decisive Egyptian advance at the end of the summer, but an immediate advance of a small Anglo-Egyptian force is probable in order to create a diversion while relieving the Italians at Agordat.

THE POWERS AND THE PLAGUE.

The "Standard's" Vienna correspondent states that all the Powers have accepted the invitation of Italy to a Conference on the Plague.

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, JAN. 21.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Peninsular, with the outward mails of the 15th instant, left here, at noon, to-day.

ADEN, JAN. 21.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Shannon, with the homeward mails of the 16th instant, arrived here, at 11 a.m., to-day.

THE WHITTAKER CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, JAN. 21.

At the opening of the case, to-day, Mr. Lowndes, for the prosecution, applied for Mr. Templeton's statement before the Court inquest to go on record under section 17, in order to ask the Court at a subsequent stage to frame the charge against the accused for giving false, evidence in judicial proceedings. Mrs. Templeton, he said, was also liable to the same charge but he left it to the Court to charge her conjointly or separately. When the inferences the Court drew from the inquest proceedings were favourable or unfavourable to them both, he would make an application in this connection later.

Mr. Daly said he would oppose the application strenuously.

Mr. Joshi, District Magistrate, was then called by the prosecution to depose to the correctness of the evidence taken by him as the inquest proceedings.

Dr. Lawrie was the next witness re-called by the prosecution. He said he had known accused for six or seven years. He had official business with him as representing King, King and Company, and also had private business relations with him as representing the same firm. In 1894 he proposed and got Mr. Templeton admitted as member of the Hyderabad Club. He began to attend the Templetons since 1895. He did so very unwittingly, because he was Dr. Hehir's patient, and had quarrelled with him, and because he did not want to take any family practice. He, however, agreed to attend the Templetons till the quarrel with Dr. Hehir ended. He received no remuneration for his attendances upon the Templetons. He had attended Mrs. Whittaker, when she was staying with the Eardley-Nortons, but she never complained to him of suppressed menstuation. He knew of no reason, if she had been ailing that way, why she should not go to him. At the end of November from what he saw he formed the opinion as to the relationship between Mr. Templeton and Mrs. Whittaker. He noticed on the day he was called in to attend Mrs. Whittaker that Mr. Templeton addressed her by her Christian name, and fondled her by stroking her cheek and pulling her face towards him. When witness told him her case was hopeless, Mr. Templeton broke down and sobbed. At the *post-mortem* examination on Mrs. Whittaker's body, he observed unmistakable signs of recent delivery which were consistent with delivery having taken place on the 6th December. Witness next proceeded to technically describe what was observed at the *post-mortem*.

Asked if he new of any statement regarding a certain lady and himself reflecting upon his conduct towards her being in Dr. Hehir's possession, he replied hat he deliberately heard of it in Dr. Hehir's cross-examination, but if such statement existed conveying the idea that he had behaved improperly towards the young lady, it was silly and an unmeaning lie; it was likewise absolutely untrue that he had attempted familiarity with Mrs. Whittaker.

Mr. Daly intimated that he would reserve his cross-examination, but Mr. Lowndes protested vehemently against this, as certian imputatins had been cast upon Dr. Lawrie which had to be cleared up, and Dr. Lawrie could not afford to wait a day longer to remove those aspersions, which he was prepared to do while in the witness-box.

Some further argument ensued, and the Court said it would give its ruling after tiffin. After the tiffin interval, Mr. Daly intimated he had received peremptory instructions not to cross-examine Dr. Lawrie at this stage, though he had plenty material to cross-examine him on. That Dr. Dawrie's reputation would suffer by keeping over the cross-examination was no argument to force it now since imputations had also been made on Miss Da Costa, but it was accused's position which the Court had to be more seriously concerned about, and it was in his interests that the cross-examination of Dr. Lawrie ought to be allowed to stand over.

After some further argument, Mr. Daly sprung a mine upon the Court by reading out a note from the accused which, he said, disposed of the argument, and he asked for the case to be committed to the High Court. The note read: "I do not ask to discharge me, nor do I ask you for bail. I definitely ask for a committal in order to clear myself before the Judge and Jury of the charge against me." Mr. Daly added that this settled the question of reservation of the cross-examination.

The Court: Yes, but if I go through the evidence and do not find sufficient evidence to rame a *prima-facie* case, I am afraid I would not be able to oblige your client.

Mr. Daly proposed that the case should go to the High Court just as it was recorded.

Mr. Lowndes proposed to address the Court to-morrow as to whether a *prima-facie* case should be framed.

POONA GYMKHANA RACES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JAN. 21.

The second meeting of the Gymkhana races since Lieutenant Hewlett, of the 2nd Bombay Lancers, had taken duty of honorary secretary, came off successfully. The attendance was good. The Horse Hurdle race having fallen through, a new race was added on the card. Dr. Bull officiated as judge. Everybody was pleased to see him on the course again. The following are the results:—

"Galloway Selling Race."—For Arab and C B Galloways 13-3 and under. If entered to be sold for Rs. 900 to carry 12st. 5lbs deducted for every Rs. 100 below that price. W. for I. Distance—½ mile.

Capt Young's ch a g Little Christopher, 10st 3lb, Owner 1
Mr Spedding's b a p Spahi, 11st 6lb, Owner 2
Mr O'Toole's br a p Snipe, 10st 5lbs, Mr Slater 3

Betting: 2 to 1 on Little Christopher; 4 to 1 against Snipe; 6 to 1 on Spahi; and 10 to 1 the rest.

Christopher took the lead, and maintained it till the finish. Time—1min.

"Horse Handicap."—For all horses that have never started in a race value Rs. 200 added. Distance—5 furlongs.

Mr Parry's ch w g Ginger, 11st 7lb, Capt Young 1
Capt Natchbull's lg w m Sylvia, 8st, Native 2
Mr Hewlett's b w m Serpolette, 11st 7lb, Mr Ashburner 3

Betting: Evens on Serpolette and Sylvia; 2 to 1 against Ginger; and 3 to 1 on Solitary Bull.

A good start. Sylvia took the lead; Ginger running second, and Serpolette third. At the turn Ginger came up, and won by two lengths. Time—1 min. 13 secs.

"Open Race."—½ Mile.—For all Arab and C. B. Galloways 13-3 and under that have never won a race with Rs. 100 added money. 13-3 to carry 11st. 7lb., C. B's allowed 7 lbs. Penalties: Ponies that have won a race with Rs. 50 added, once, 4 lbs; oftener, 7 lbs, extra. W. for I.

Major Kettlewell's g a p Picnic, 10st 6lb, Capt Young 1
Mr J B's g a p Telefa, 11st 5lb 2
Capt Young's ch a p Little Christopher, 10st 3lb 3

Betting: 2 to 1 on Telefia; 1½ to 1 against Picnic; and 3 to 1 Little Christopher.

Picnic and Telifia were running abreast, Christopher lying last. At the turn a good race ensued, and Picnic won by half-a-length. Time—1½ min.

"Polo Scurry."—For all bona-fide polo ponies that are such in the opinion of the Stewards that have not won a race with Rs. 49 added since 1st January 1895. Catch weights over 11 stone. Distance—2½ furlongs.

Mr Spedding's ch a g Rifleman, Owner 1
Capt Duncan's g a g Brilliant, Mr Lloyd 2
Mr Dougherty's b ch m Kitty, Mr Ashburner 3

Betting: 2 to 1 on Brilliant; evens on Rifleman; 5 to 1 Dodo; 6 to 1 Kitty; and 8 to 1 the rest.

Won by two lengths; a length separating the second and third. Time—35 secs.

"Open Race"—Distance 3 furlongs.

Aga Mustapha Khan's Premier, 10st 5lb, Aga S Shah 1
Mr J B's Hiajas, 10st 13lb, Captain Young 2
Mr Duncan's Brilliant, 10st 4lb, Ashburner 3

Also ran: Cayenne, 10st 7lb; and Plain Jane, 10st 11lb.

Betting: 2 to 1 on Premier; 2 to 1 against Hinjas; 3 to 1 Brilliant; and 4 to 1 Cayenne.

Premier took the lead, and won comfortably. Time—33 secs.

[REUTER TELEGRAM.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PLYMOUTH, JAN. 20.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Rewa, arrived here this morning.

LONDON, JAN. 20.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Macintosh arrived here this afternoon.

LONDON, JAN. 20.

The Hall Line steamer Rufford Hall left here this morning.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LIVERPOOL, JAN. 20.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats quiet.

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The Manchester Market has been quiet.

2½ per cent. Consols 112 5-8
3 per cent. Rentes 102 3-4
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan 117½
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper 62 1-8
Bar Silver 29 11-16

DEPARTURE OF TROOPS FOR ENGLAND.

THE troops to leave for England in the Indian Troop Service Transport Duners (Captain James Smith), to-morrow, will be brought to Bombay and embarked under the following arrangements:—From Punjab Command—9 officers, 2 ladies, 790 non-commissioned officers and men, 4 women, and 8 children. From Bengal Command—3 officers, 354 non-commissioned officers and men, 2 women, and 7 children. From Madras command—2 officers, 27 non-commissioned officers and men, 5 women, and 16 children. From Bombay Command and various corps—28 officers, 14 ladies, and 11 children, 42 non-commissioned officers and men, and 1 woman. The troops from Deolali, with their baggage, will be brought to Bombay in three troop extra trains, as follows:—The first train with 4 officers and 250 men of the details (including the usual working party and guard), the whole of the families, and the heavy baggage left, last night, at 10 p.m., and will arrive at the Sassoon Dock, at 6-5 a.m., to-day. The second and third trains, conveying the remainder of the troops, will leave Deolali at 9 and 10 p.m., to-night, and arrive at Sassoon Dock, at 5-10 and 6-5 a.m., to-morrow morning. The troops and baggage will be embarked as they arrive.

MILITARY NEWS.

WITH reference to G. O. C. C. No. 845, dated 14th December 1896, Lieutenant-Colonel A Heathcote, Royal Engineers, is posted to Rawal Pindi, for duty in the office of the Superintending Engineer, Punjab Command, Military Works.

WITH reference to G. O. C. C. No. 845 of 1896, Brevet-Lieutenant Colonel H. M. Sinclair, Royal Engineers, is posted to the Sirhind-Lahore Circle, for duty as Executive Engineer, Ferozepore Division, Military Works.

WITH reference to G. O. C. C. No. 860, dated 16th December 1896, Lieutenant A. H. D. Risch, Royal Engineers, is posted to the Rawal Pindi Circle, for duty in the Rawal Pindi Division, Military Works Department.

THE undermentioned Officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps; the specified period to count from the date of being struck of duty:—Captain (temporary Major) W. J. K. Dobbin, Indian, Staff Corps, Second-in-Command, 1st Sikh Infantry, for one year. Pension Service, 20th year commenced 13th October 1896.

THE undermentioned Officer is granted leave out of India:—Royal Hourse Artiller.—Major H. V. Cowan, "A" Battery, from 1st May to 1st November 1897, on private affairs. Army Veterinary Department.—On return from Suakin, Veterinary-Captain H. T. W. Mann is posted to Meerut. On return from leave, Veterinary-Lieutenant H. B. Knight, A. V. D., is posted to Lucknow.

THE undermentioned Officers have been granted leave out of India:—Royal Artillery.—Captain N. S. Bertie-Clay, Superintendent, Small Arms Ammunition Factory, Dum-Dum, for eight months, on private affairs, under provisions of Article 704, Army Regulations, India, Volume I, Part I. 1st Battalion, Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry.—Lieutenant T. R. Stokoe, for twelve months on private affairs. By order of the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces.

UNDER Instructions from the War Office the following alterations are ordered affecting officers of the Royal Brillery:—2nd-Lieutenant R. H. Griffiths, No. 38 Company Southern Division, from Singapore to Nowgong, on transfer to the 59th Field Battery, vice H. B. Hill, sent home for the Long Course of Gunnery, 1897.

THE undermentioned Officers have been granted extensions of leave by the Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India:—Captain J. N. Jephson, Wing Officer, 5th Bengal Infantry, (p. a.) for 3 days. Captain G. de S. Barrow, Squadron Commander, 4th Bengal Cavalry, till 15th January 1897, to join Staff College. Lieutenant A. J. Badcock, Indian Staff Corps, Deputy Assistant Commissary-General, (p. a.) till 1st March 1897.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

HIS Excellency the Commander-in-Chief arrives in Mozufferpore to-day for the Behar Light Horse camp-of-exercise.

COLONEL OTTLEY, R. E., arrived in Calcutta on Tuesday to take up his duties as Secretary to the Famine Relief Fund.

THE recent storm which gave rain to the Punjab, extended well into the hills to the north. In the Khyber region there was snow on the higher ranges.

HIS Honour the Lieutenant-Governor has consented to take the chair at a meeting to be held at Lucknow on the 25th instant, under the auspices of the British Indian Association, to consider the question of provincial co-operation with the General Committee of the Relief Fund at Calcutta.

A SMALL column of military police, 200 strong, under the command of Captain Row, commanding the Lakhimpur Police Battalion, is to enter the Apa Tanang country. This little expedition is rendered necessary by the recent raid, when a party of the tribesmen murdered a native on a tea garden and carried off some people into captivity. Mr. McCabe will accompany the column as Political Officer.

IN spite of improvements in some directions, the gross earnings of Indian railways up to 31st December last were over 90 lakhs to the bad, as compared with the corresponding figures for the previous year.

THE consignments of grain from Sind to the Punjab and N.-W. P. on Monday amounted to 8,591 maunds. A small consignment was taken by Lahore.

THIRTY and-a-quarter lakhs was the total expenditure upon education in the Punjab last year. This was two and-a-half lakhs more than the year before, or an increase of five per cent. in the number of scholars. Eight per cent only of females attended school. According to the statistics the Rawal Pindi Division is the most educated, excepting Simla, where the conditions are special, and the Delhi Division is the most backward.

THE Amir of Afghanistan's religious book Takweem-ud-din has just been published and has been issued only to Kazis and Governors of provinces in Afghanistan. The Amir has prohibited the book leaving the State. The book, which deals with a *jehad* and other important subjects, was edited by two Maulvis under the Amir's direction.

THE *British Medical Journal* of January 2nd contains a long account of a case of snake bite treated with Calmette's antivenomous serum by Professor H. P. Keatinge and Professor M. A. Ruffer at the Cairo hospital. Unfortunately the case is no more conclusive than others which have been similarly treated in India. The snake was not killed, and though the Curator of the Cairo Zoological Museum, juding from the patient's description and the locality where she was bitten, thinks it was probably an Egyptian cobra, evidence of this kind is plainly open to doubt, especially as the patient was a native girl only thirteen years of age. Drs. Keatinge and Ruffer think the snake must have been a highly venomous one because the girl was virtually in a state of collapse when brought to the hospital; but similar symptoms have been known in India in cases where the snake was undoubtedly harmless. Moreover the exact time which intervened between the bite and the first injection of the serum, was not ascertained.

MAJOR-GENERAL LEWES, Inspector General, R. A., in India, arrived at Rangoon on the 11th instant, carried out his inspection of the R. A., 11 Company Southern and 18 Western R. A. and River Defences under the command of Lieutenant Colonel R. C. E. North, R. A. On completion on the 14th instant of his inspection at Rangoon, General Lewes proceeded to Mandalay to continue his inspections in Upper Burma.

ON Monday the Lieutenant Governor of Bengal paid an official visit to M. Girod, the Governor of the French Settlements in India. The Commander-in-Chief also paid a similar visit. M. Girod goes to Darjeeling, and afterwards makes a tour up-country to Peshawar. His Excellency's visit to Calcutta is in connection with the Franco-Indian Import Duty Scheme, under which all imported goods are to be taxed 5 per cent *ad valorem*.

THE man Harman, charged with the murder of Edward Hoffland at Calcutta on Christmas Day, has been committed for trial.

AT the late B. P. R. A. meeting at Meerut Sergeant-Major Benbow of C. Battery R. H. A. competed and shot so well that his score of 99 (out of a possible 105) placed him first on the list for the Viceroy's Medal for the British Cavalry. Unfortunately the conditions of the competition had made no provision for the Artillery, the medal being restricted to British Cavalry. The Council had no intention of debarring the Artillery, but merely omitted to regard the gunner with his "hand gun" as a serious competitor. The Council had no option in the matter, and had to award the medal to the 11th Hussars. On the matter being brought to the notice of His Excellency the Viceroy, Lord Elgin very kindly presented a special medal to Sergeant-Major Benbow, which, it is hardly necessary to say, is very much appreciated by his battery. In future the Cavalry medal will be open to gunners.

A QUESTION of considerable interest to universities all over India, writes a contemporary has recently been evoking not a little heat in educational circles in Madras. Until a few months ago there existed a bye-law of the Madras Senate, compelling candidates who had failed at the B. A. examination, to attend for another year at a first grade Arts College before apearing for re-examination. A Mr. Vaidyanathen, himself a Master of Arts and a Fellow of the Madras University, and a retired local educational officer, proposed at a recent meeting of the Senate that the bye-law in question be rescinded. His arguments were that no such restriction was imposed upon failed candidates at English or Scotch universities, that the practice of these universities was followed at Madras in the case of medical, engineering and certain other candidates, and that there was no reason why it should be follwed only in the case of Arts candidates. Moreover, according to Mr. Vaidyanathen, the chief *raison d'etre* of the bye-law was to swell the B. A. classes of certain Arts Colleges. The proposition was carried by a majority of two votes, the Fellows of the University who attended the meeting being only a small fraction of the Senate. The adverse minority at the division was composed for the most part of those who were obviously interested in maintaining the strength of the Arts Colleges—to wit the two Members of Council, the Director of Public Instruction and the Principals and Professors of Arts Colleges. On the other hand, the Principals and Professors of mofussil colleges, who are also Fellows of the University, argue that although theoretically they, as members of the Senate, have a voice in the management of educational affiairs, in practice they are debarred by distance from attending the meetings of the Senate and were thus prevented from exercising their rights. Whatever may be the ultimate fate of the "failed B. A.," there is much to be said for this view of the case, and it is not improbable that one outcome of the controversy will be a reorganisation of the Senate of the University.

AT the recent International Congress of Psychology Dr. Muller gave an interesting historical sketch of the etiology of self-murder, and, by means of an elaborate series of statistics, traced to alcobol the primary cause of its marked increase of late years. The author estimates the number of suicides in Europe at 50,000 a year, thus showing that the evil is increasing at a greater rate than the population. The most favourite month for fuicides is June, the least, December; early morning is chosen in preference to the night, whilst the mechanic class fornishes the largest number of subjects and the peasant the least. Dr. Muller considers brandy the most pernicious form of alcohol, and traces to its influence the blunting of those weapons which in the struggle for life are the most necessary to sustain the conflict.

FRANK GOULDING, a talented boy in Calcutta in the Lillooah Opera Company, has died from pneumonia accompanying an attack of small-pox.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL C. J. LONG, who had on his recent promotion accepted the command of the Royal Horse Artillery at Meerut, has, we believe, since elected for service with the Egyptian Army. Lieutenant-Colonel W. L. Davidson, if a candidate for Horse Artillery in India, is a probable successor; failing his acceptance Lieutenant-Colonel C. C. Rich and H. V. Hunt, lately promoted, are eligible.

AT the end of the year 1896 there were altogether 2,507 Volunteers in the three corps in the Punjab, of which 144 were reservists. These figures show a decrease of 58 in the total strength of the Volunteers in this Province compared with the end of the year 1895, when the figures were, active Volunteers 2,390, reservists 175. In both years the percentage of efficients was over 90, and the Annual Inspection reports were highly satisfactory.

IN face of the native opposition which meets the majority of precautionary measures suggested at Karachi for the mitigation of the plague, the Municipal Commissioners are to be commended for the persistency of their efforts to combat the ravages of the disease. A numerously signed petition from European residents requesting that a stop should be put to the immigration of persons from infected districts into the Civil Lines has been effectively met by the placing of a cordon of police around such quarters. Landlords also have been prohibited from letting houses in the cantonment limits to inhabitants from the affected parts of the town. Segregation camps for the healthy have been erected and seem to have met with approval, as one community of about two thousand persons is said to have moved into such a camp. The suggestion of the Government of India that houses where plague has occurred, should be burnt down, has been troubling the Karachi fathers very considerably. Their zeal for the public welfare would incline them to adopt wholesale the suggestion of Government, but they are precluded by their financial unpreparedness to incur what they rightly consider an enormous liability. However, they have taken one forward move in the matter, and huts and kutcha structures have been already doomed to destruction. It is suggested that the resources of some more capacious exchequer than that of Karachi would have to be indented upon, if it is found necessary to carry out the larger demolition proposed.

SIR ARTHUR HAVELOCK, Governor of Madras, has, the Nilgiri paper announces, appointed his Private Secretary, Mr. Harold Stuart, I.C.S., Collector of Bellary. A *pucca* Collectorship in about 17 years' service remarks a contemporary is quick advancement as times go.

THE approximate earnings of the E. I. Railway and the lines worked for the last 12 days of December, were Rs. 19,56,448, miles open 1,699·70, per mile open Rs. 1,151. Corresponding period last year, Rs. 18,13,272, miles open 1,699·70, per mile open Rs. 1,067. Increase, Rs. 1,43,176, per miles open Rs. 84. From 1st July 1896, to 31st December, 1896, Rs. 2,62,35,288. From 1st July 1895, to 31st December, 1895, Rs. 2,55,44,216. Increase, Rs. 6,91,072.

THE Government of India has confirmed the appointment of Mr. J. H. Munro, I. C. S., to the temporary post of Sub-Judge of Calicut, and the arrangement of placing a Deputy Collector in charge of the Sub-Collector's division in Nellore so long as that Sub-Judgeship is held by an Indian Civil servant.

THE Excelsior Hotel Regina, at Cimiez, where the Queen is to stay during her visit to the Continent early in March, is now rapidly nearing completion. Cimiez is about three-quarters of a mile from Nice, and the magnificent new hotel which has just been erected occupies a site on a commanding elevation whence the most delightful views of the blue Mediterranean and a long stretch of the Maritime Alps may be obtained. The outlook is indeed one of the most striking that can be found in any part of Southern France, the bay and groves of palm and orange trees making up a scene of great beauty. The hotel itself is five storeys high, with a magnificent frontage extending more than 600ft. There are about 150 rooms in the section of the hotel which the Queen will occupy, and rumour has it that her Majesty has paid a very heavy price for their use during her stay. The apartments which are being specially prepared for her Majesty's particular use—having with the rest of the hotel been furnished by a London firm, Messrs. Waring and Sons—include a grand and spacious reception-room, a commodious dinning-room, and a dainty saloon. An indication of the Queen's well-known love of music is found in the presence of an English made piano of an approved maker, which occupies a conspicuous place in the salon. Facing the hotel is a park, and in laying out the land here the proprietors of the hotel have shown a careful regard for English tastes.

THERE is a rather remarkable interview with Dr Ibsen in the *Humanitarian* for January. The dramatist told Mr. Sherard that "Christiania is the most immoral town in Europe, and there is no town in Europe where a student of social life can find better subjects. Marriage, for instance, is practically non existent here." He added that his plays are not doctrinary. "I am a Norwegian dramatist, and my plays describe life as I see it in Norway. They do not profess to indicate how a better state of things could be introduced. I am not a teacher. I am a painter—a portrait painter." Asked whether he thought the woman question *the* question of the future, Dr. Ibsen smiled. "Why of the future?" he asked. "Has it not always been *the* question, is it not *the* question now? There is no reason why it should ever cease to be *the* question. If you mean, however, to ask whether the immediate future will see the emancipation of women, that is to say, an equalisation of their position with that of men, I say, no. There are many years, centuries, to pass before such emancipation takes place. It will be the result of a natural *processus*, the gradual increase of physical strength in women, combined with an increase of civil power, of wealth, and so on—not at all the result of the isolated action of a few foolish individuals." Mr. Sherard, in describing Ibsen's habits and character, says he is a rich man as Norwegians go, but that his money has come too late to compensate him for the real privations of his youth and middle age. He is a great reader of the German philosophers His only relaxation appears to be to spend an hour twice a day at the Grand Hotel, and to read the papers, with a glass of aqua vitæ on his right hand and a glass of beer on his left, from which, as he reads, he takes alternate sips. He spends one hour a day in perambulating the streets. "The rest of his day is spent in absolute seclusion in his house in Victoria-terrace, where visitors are rarely, if ever admitted. He is never seen at the theatre, or in society, or at any place of entertainment."

NOTHING comes amiss to Mr. Hugh Clements. As a weather prophet he has long been known; the other day he enlightened the readers of a home paper as to the cause of the recent earthquake, and now he writes explaining the great bog-slide. After inquiry he has arrived at the conclusion that the disaster was due to "an earth oscillation elevating the bog suddenly." He adds: "During the twelve days that have elapsed since the Hereford earthquake the sun moved from 266 longitude to 276, with reference to Greenwich, but Killarney being nearly 10 deg. west of London, the sun's longitude with reference to Killarney would be much the same as it was in England on December 17, 1896, and as at the moment of the earth oscillation on last Monday morning the moon was 11 deg. south of the Equator, the sun being still in the same declination as before. There were consequently two resultants of the luni-solar attraction, one on the Equator (0 deg.) and the other 14 deg. N. or S., the mean resultant being 7 deg. N. or S, which with 45 deg., the angle of greatest attractive effect, makes 52 deg., the latitude of Killarney (the same as Hereford), the moon being at the moment in the bog's nadir with the luni solar resultant near the angle required to produce the sudden uprise." In another communication Mr. Clements details his theory of seismic disturbances, and predicts "tremors" in North Wales, the Isle of Man, and the south-west of Scotland on January 23.

THE BUBONIC FEVER.

Returns showing the number of cases of Bubonic Fever reported from 10 a.m., on Wednesday, to 10 a.m., yesterday:—

Sections.	Attacks.	Deaths.
Upper Colaba	0	1
Middle and Lower Colaba	1	1
Fort, Southern	0	1
Fort, Northern	2	0
Esplanade	0	0
Mandvie	1	0
Chukla	0	0
Oomarkhari	1	3
Dongri		1
Market	2	1
Dhobi Talao	6	3
Fanaswady	3	0
Bhuleshwar	3	0
Khara Talao	2	0
Kumbharwada	0	2
Khetwady	2	3
Girgaum	3	1
Chowpatty	1	0
Walkeshwar	0	0
Mahalakshmi	1	0
Mazagon	3	2
Tarwady	0	0
2nd Nagpada	1	0
Kamatipura	2	16
Tardeo	8	8
Byculla	9	8
1st Nagpada	3	0
Parel	0	5
Sewri	1	1
Sion	0	1
Mahim	0	0
Worli	9	3
Water Division	8	0
Non-Resident and unknown	0	8
Total	54	69

Total mortality from all causes .. 242

THE PESTILENCE IN BANDORA.

The official returns of bubonic fever at Bandora since the 13th instant are as under:—

Dates.	Attacks.	Deaths.
13th Jan., 1897	6	7
14th ,,	11	9
15th ,,	11	9
16th ,,	6	8
17th ,,	10	4
18th ,,	4	6
19th ,,	7	4
Total	55	47
Previously reported	180	129
Total since outbreak	235	176

THE SUSPENSION OF PILGRIM TRAFFIC.

A *Government Gazette* Extraordinary, issued last evening, states:—"It is hereby notified for general information that from 1st February 1897, and until further orders, the Ports of Bombay and Karachi shall not be places from which Pilgrim Ships may depart or proceed as provided in Section 7 of Act XIV. of 1895."

RELAXATION OF QUARANTINE AT BRINDISI.

The P. and O. Company have received a telegram from their Agent at Brindisi stating that the quarantine restrictions at that port have now been modified, and there is no difficulty in passengers proceeding on to London with the mails, provided the baggage they wish to take is ready on deck on arrival of the steamer and any soiled linen has been fumigated.

APPOINTMENT OF A SANITARY ADVISER.

The need for additional help in the heavy duties now devolving upon the Municipal Executive, to which attention has frequently been called in these columns, has engaged the attention of Government, and as result two appointments have been made. Surgeon-Major A. W. F. Street, Deputy Sanitary Commissioner, Central Registration Division, has been appointed Sanitary Adviser to the Municipal Commissioner, and Surgeon-Major Kirtikar has been selected to assist Dr. Weir, in conjunction with Dr. Jennings, as Additional Medical Adviser.

The services of Dr. Street have extended over a period of 19 years. They commenced at Malta, and a few months later in June, 1878, he was attached to the 13th Bengal Infantry. Subsequently he was in medical charge successively of various regiments of the Bombay Infantry, and of the Sind and Poona Horse. In 1885, he acted as a Deputy Sanitary Commissioner, and subsequently as Civil Surgeon. He is by no means unfamiliar with the sanitary work of the city of Bombay, for in 1886 he acted for some months as Health Officer of the Port. This appointment was succeeded by participation in the more stirring duties connected with the administration of medical aid in the expedition which led to the annexation of Upper Burma. For his services in this connection Dr. Street received the Companionship of the Distinguished Service Order. Since then he has, excepting for periods of furlough, held almost uninterruptedly the post of Deputy Sanitary Commissioner of the Central Registration district. He is widely known as an able and resourceful officer. Of Surgeon-Major Kirtikar, the Civil Surgeon of Thana, it is unnecessary to speak, as he is well known in this city, having on several occasions acted as Health Officer of the Bombay Municipality.

THE APPLICATION FOR THE CLOSING OF THE HIGH COURT.

Mr. J. W. Orr, Prothonotary, sent, yesterday, the following reply to the address of Mr. G. W. Roughton, Chairman of the Solicitors' meeting, held in the rooms of the Bombay Law Society:—

"Sir,—Your letter of the 19th January was on that date laid before the Hon. the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court, who held a meeting in chambers to consider the resolution arrived at by the majority of the attorneys of the High Court, at their meeting, held on the evening of the 18th January, viz., 'that the May Vacation be anticipated, and that a vacation commence on the 1st February next, and to last for seven weeks from that date, be directed by the Hon. the Chief Justice and the Judges; that the ordinary May vacation be dispensed with; and that due provision be made for the disposal of the urgent work during such anticipated vacation.' In reply, I am directed to state that their lordships, after an anxious consideration of the resolution, are not convinced that any substantiol public advantage would result from complying with its terms, and that they are therefore not prepared to adopt the proposal contained in it. Their lordships feel some difficulty in replying to your letter, otherwise than in general terms, as no reasons for the resolution are given, and the advantages, which are, in the opinion of the majority of the attorneys of the High Court, expected to flow from its adoption, are not set forth. Their lordships, however, suppose that the resolution is founded upon the hope that the public health of the city will improve with the advent of warmer weather, and in the expectation that the extreme virulence of the present epidemic will have abated by the 21st March, when the proposed vacation would end. Their lordships, while trusting that such hope and expectation will prove well founded, can yet hardly expect that the normal transaction of business in the High Court, on its Original Side, can re-commence so soon, and they apprehend that, on its re-opening after the proposed vacation, it would be found that the cases for hearing would be postponed on the same grounds as at present. Their lordships have also to bear in mind the state of business on the Appellate as well as on the Original Side of the High Court, and they consider that the interest of the public and of suitors will be best served at present by transferring two of the Judges from the Original to the Appellate Side of the Court, where their services can be utilized, and leaving one Judge on the Original Side to transact such business as may come before the Court on that side, and in its Insolvency Jurisdiction, and commencing the vacation, if necessary, at a somewhat earlier date than usual. This will admit of all business which parties may desire to bring before the Court being proceeded with, and will allow the general body of litigants time to resume their ordinary business and avocations before being called on to devote their time to litigation. Should, unhappily, the above hope and expectation not be realised, nothing would be gained on the Original Side of the High Court by the proposed anticipated vacation, while, on the Appellate Side, its effects would be unfortunate. Their lordships also feel that, though they are willing to make all useful sacrifices in the interests of the public and of the profession, a Session during the hot weather of April, May, and June, continued without intermission during the monsoon, would be a severe tax on the health and strength of the Judges which, without adequate cause, they would be averse to undergo.—I have, &c.,

J. W. ORR."

MEETING OF MILL JOBBERS.

A meeting of Hindu mill jobbers was held in Mr. Rustomjee Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy's Dharmsalla in Falkland Road, on Wednesday evening, for the purpose of considering the necessity of having the mills closed for a month from the 1st February next. About 500 persons were present, and Vaman Crishna Ji Ranade, jobber of the Bomanjee Petit Mill, was called to the chair. After the object of calling the meeting had been explained, one Sumbhajee Vishnu, in addressing those present, said the best way out of the difficulty was to ask their employers to close the mills for a month and to pay them for the month of December last. The mills were at present worked at a loss, and their employers would not feel any great difficulty in complying with their request. If they did not comply, they should all resolve upon quietly leaving Bombay *en masse*; and none of them should stay behind for the temptation of higher wages. It was finally resolved, on the motion of Sadoba Govind, that mill agents be requested to close their mills for a month from 1st February next and to pay them their wages for December; that if the plague disappeared, they should all return to Bombay within a month; but that if some of the mills were kept working, none of the mill-hands should on any account take employment in them till the end of February next. The proceedings then terminated.

THE REVIVAL OF TRADE IN SURAT.

The jewellers of Bombay, whose native country is Surat, having fled thither, the Arab and Multanee pearl merchants, who have much business to transact with them, and the purchasers of their goods belonging to Marwar, Meywad and the Deccan, followed in their wake to Surat. Transactions are carried on there on an extensive scale in shares, Government paper, hundies, and cotton for cash and future delivery. Mr. Premchund Roychund, the great share and exchange broker, is also there with his son. Efforts are made to revive the former trade of Surat, which was once a flourishing city; and if they are successful, arrangements can be made for unloading large steamers from Europe in Surat bunder. Several banks are making preparations for opening branches in Surat, including the Commercial and the National.

POSTPONED EXAMINATIONS.

The examination of candidates for the High Court Pleaderships, Subordinate Judgeships, and District Pleaderships, were fixed to come on in the Town Hall on the 22nd February next. On the application of candidates from Poona, Surat, Ahmedabad, &c., the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court have postponed the examinations till Monday, the 21st June next.

THE G. I. P. RAILWAY EMPLOYEES.

The poor employees of the G. I. P. Railway found great difficulty in getting the daily necessaries of life without the assistance of the Marwarees, grain dealers, &c., with whom they had credit transaction, who have fled from Bombay. The Railway authoritees have, therefore, made arrangements to supply grain, flour, &c., to their employes at cost price. Each man who wishes to buy at the company's stores will get a ticket from his foreman, and will be sold grain and flour on credit; the amount of the total sales being deducted from his monthly wages. This arrangement will afford material help to the poor men.

FEVER RELIEF FUND.

In addition to the subscriptions detailed yesterday, the following sums have been received:—

	Rs.
H. E. Lord Sandhurst	20
Lady Sandhurst	20
Mr. G. Lund	50
Mr. J. Heaton, I.C.S.	10
Mr. E. H. Elsworthy	20
Mr. R. E. Enthoven, I.C.S.	20
Mr. J Crummey	10
Mr. C. F. Meyer	10
Major S. Comfort	20
Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Russel	20
Mr. and Mrs. Nowrojl S. Talati	40
Mr. P. C. Cawasji	10
The Hon. A. F. Beaufort	10
B.	10
Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Hutchinson	40
Mr. and Mrs. T. W. N. Monerieffdich	20
Mr. D. N. Dady	10
F. M. B.	5
Mr. F. H. Brown	20
Major Hildebrand	20
H. J. R.	20
Mr. P. Raichand	10
Mr. William Greaves	20
Mr. P. S. Pochaji

building purposes to be so ruined. The prospect of closing the existing grave-yards in this stricken town is thus as distant as ever. It is a pity these considerations were not well weighed before the land was acquired. The desire to propitiate the residents by selecting for them a new site for burials far from immediate neighbourhood appears to have got the better of the Municipal corporate judgment. The idea now is to select a plot further north. It is true that a cemetery at a sufficient distance to the north of the railway station and to the east of the rail road, near the Mahomedan grave-yards, and Hindu cremation ground, would be the proper place, in that there is no likelihood of buildings springing up in that quarter of the town within a measurable distance of time; but whatever is going to be done, it is to be hoped there will be no unnecessary delay in stopping burials in the heart of the town. Already nearly 150 bodies affected by the prevailing fever have been interred in the existing grave-yards, and it is, I submit, time to stop this, unless it is intended to foster the plague here and intensify its effects later on. The matter is of such grave importance that it is not safe to look to "Local self-Government" for salvation, Government interference is imperative.—Yours, &c.,

SOLOMON EAGLE.

Bandora, Jan 21.

ADULTERATED MILK.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In these days of bubonic, milk is sold at one annas per seer in the town of Bombay, especially by Parsees, who go from door to door in every lane and street, but it is found by actually testing it to contain water and milk in equal proportions. Milk of this kind is very injurious to health, and as it is sold at a cheap rate, poor persons purchase it daily, and consequently there is every chance of their getting ill and thus spreading disease in the town. I hope, therefore, the Municipal authorities concerned will pay proper attention to these dealers and have some check over them.—Yours, &c.,

VINAYEKRAO SAKHARAM KOTHARE.

Jan. 21.

THE PLEADERS' EXAMINATION.

The following memorial has been addressed to the Chief Justice and Puisne Judges of H. M.'s High Court of Judicature at Bombay, by the candidates for the ensuing High Court and District Pleaders' Examinations:—

Your lordships' petitioners have applied for being allowed to appear as candidates for the High Court and District Pleaders' examinations to be held in February next at Bombay.

That, on account of the bubonic plague raging in Bombay at present, your lordships' petitioners consider it very risky to come over there to be present at the examinations. That many of your lordships' petitioners having no other localities to put up in, save the most affected ones, such as Bhuleshwar and Girgaum, their relatives most strongly object to allow them to proceed to Bombay, and thus they find themselves in the very sad position of missing the ensuing examinations, and rendering useless the study of one whole year; in the case of some of them, of more than that. They being very poor cans not afford to do so.

For the above reasons, your lordships' petitioner humbly pray that your lordships would be pleased to alter the centre of examinations, and order them to be held either at Surat or Broach, or some other place in Gujarat, though your lordships' petitioners would humbly venture to suggest that either of the above two places would be more convenient, being more central in position than any other.

For the above act of kindness, your lordships' petitioners would ever pray for your lordships' long lives and prosperity.

A. M. DINBANDHOO, AND OTHERS.

Broach, Jan 18.

DEATH OF R. B. GIRDHARLAL OOLUTRAM.

An Ahmedabad correspondent writes:—It is with regret I inform you of the death of R. B. Girdharlal Oolutram, retired extra Assistant Political Agent, Kathiawar, which melancholy event took place in the early morning of the 10th inst., at Ahmedabad, where he was residing since his retirement on pension from the British service.

It is difficult to describe fully his qualities both as a Government officer, who had served Government in Kathiawar for upwards of 33 years with unflinching honesty, integrity, and rare ability; and as a private gentleman, conspicuous for his sincerity, frankness, and charitable disposition. He was a self-made man who had amassed volumes of information on different topics by dint of hard study and perseverance. He was a great observer, and his knowledge in religious matters was unique, he having read different religious codes, and his intellect was so clear and strong that he was up to the last able to discuss with masterly ability any question referred to him for solution. In fact, since his retirement he led the life of real "Vanprasth" retirement, and his ideas were thoroughly refined. His death has caused regret among his many friends and acquaintances, as the deceased gentleman was familiarly known in Kathiawar as well as on this side. As a private gentleman he was the best adviser, and his services as a Government officer were highly meritorious, long, and arduous, extending, as they did, over a period of nearly thirty-three years, and in recognition of which Government were pleased to confer on him a special pension and title of Rao Bahadur as a personal distinction. This title, granted to him in 1873, was the first of its kind conferred by Government on any of its officers in Kathiawar. He was a faithful and conscientious servant of Government, and his services were acknowledged to be exceptionally meritorious, as will be seen from the subjoined extract from a speech made by the Hon'ble J. B. Pelle, C. S. I., at a Durbar held in 1873 in conferring on the deceased gentleman the title of Rao Bahadur as a personal distinction:—

"It is my duty, and it is a pleasant one, to present to you a *sanad* signed by the Viceroy, conferring the personal distinction which you have earned by long and creditable services to the British Government. My own acquaintance with you is very short, but I have read the list of your services in the records of this Agency, and I find that you have risen through grade after grade in the establishments by this province during an honourable career of more than thirty years. I find that beginning with the humble office of Mahoosule Karkoon, you passed through the several offices of the Agency to the honourable rank of Extra Assistant Political Agent. I find that you were appointed by Colonel Keatinge, to serve under whom was in itself an honour, to the difficult task of separating the commingled rights of Joonagadh and Jetpur. I find the same opinion echoed by Dr. Glasgow, by the Venerable Colonel Lang, by Mr. Kinloch Forbes, by the late Colonel Barr, by Colonel Shortt, Colonel Anderson, and Colonel Law. The British Government does well to reward those who complete without reproach a long official career among the conflicting interests and dangerous temptations of this province. But I have learnt in the last few days that you have also attracted the regard and esteem of the Ministers of the States, and I congratulate you on having shewn that a man can be a true and faithful servant of the Crown, and yet also conciliate the affection of those who represent the Native Princes of Kathiawar. I salute you, therefore, Rao Bahadoor Girdharlal Ooluturam with the best wishes of this Agency, and I hope that, restored to the health which you have freely sacrificed to your duty, you may live for many years to enjoy the title and special pension which your meritorious services have won for you. Even after his retirement many others were made to him for accepting posts of responsibilities in important States which were desirous of securing the advantage of his varied experiences, but he with pious resignation and contentment declined to enter again into the troubles of active life, and spent the remainder of his life in true "Vanprast" In fact, the deceased Rao Bahadoor Girdharlal led a truly pious and holy life, and by his death the Native society has lost a distinguished member, and his relations and friends an excellent adviser.

It has recently been announced, with an air of authority (says the *World*), that Lord Salisbury gave to Sir Edward Malet the refusal of Lord Dufferin's place at the Embassy in Paris, but that our then Ambassador to Germany refused the offer, preferring to retire from the diplomatic service. If there is any shadow of foundation for the announcement, it could only mean that Lord Salisbury offered to submit Sir Edward Malet's name to the French Foreign Office, as the late M. Waddington before he died used to assert hat he had put an end effectually to the same rumour which was circulated after Lord Lytton's death had previously made vacant the Embassy in France. M. Waddington intimated at Downing Street in the most emphatic manner that if Sir Edward Malet had been our representative at any other European capital except Berlin, his name would have been gladly accepted at the Quai d'Orsay; but his Government instructed him to make it clearly understood to the Government of the Queen that an Ambassador to the Court of Germany must be considered as disqualified as a candidate for that post to the French Republic.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

DR. COWASJI HORMUSJI presided at the adjourned monthly meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation, held yesterday afternoon, when there were also present:—Messrs. Ardasir Framji Unwalla, Badruddin bin Abdulla Kur, Bhalchandra Krishna Bhanwadekar, Bomanjee Pestonjee Master, George Cotton, T. W. Caffe, Darashah Ratanji Chichgar, Dr. Dominick A. D'Monte, Rao Bahadur Dhakji Kashinathji, Messrs. Fardunji Nasarwanji Bisni, H. G. Gell, Goolam Hoosein Allana, W. R. Hamilton, Hari Sitaram Dikshit, Charleston Hewett, Ismail Jan Mahomed, Jamsedjee Kharsetjee Kama, Kaikhosru Nasarwanjee Bahadurjee, Kaikhosro Nowrojee Kabrajee, Kavasji Edalji Dadachanji, K. M. Shroff, Rai Bahadur Luchmon Singh, Messrs. G. Lund, O. V. Muller, Nanabhai Navrojee Katrak, Nowroji Jehangir Gamadia, the Hon. Mr. Nowrojee Nusserwanjee Wadia, Messrs. Pestonji Nasserwanji Wadia, B. Phillips, G. W. Roughton, P. B. Saville, Sundernath D. Khote, Tribhowandas Mungaldas Nathoobhoy, Dr. Accacio Gabriel Viegas, Messrs. R. H. Vincent, Vithalrao Krishnaji Vandekar, and Hajee Yoosof Hajee Esmail.

BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1897-98.

The Corporation resumed the consideration of Budget estimates for 1897-98, expenditure side.

ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION DEPARTMENT.

Dr. Bhalchandra proposed that the estimates of the amount for Assessment and Collection Department be passed at Rs. 2,61,462.

The proposal being seconded,

Mr. J. Hewett moved the following amendment in the absence of Mr. Kabraji, on whose name its original stood on the agenda: "That, as originally proposed by the Municipal Commissioner in the Schedule of Establishments for 1897-98, submitted by him for the approval of the Standing Committee, under section 79 of the Municipal Act, the estimate of the Licensing Establishment attached to the Budget (Section I.), be enhanced from Rs. 14,964 to Rs. 16,704, and that, with the deductions proposed by the Commissioner on account of salaries to be drawn by the Suprintendent and his staff below maximum, the net provision under that section be entered at Rs. 14,844, instead of Rs. 14,304, the total cost of the establishment, including sections II. and III., thus being Rs. 17,544 instead of Rs. 17,064 and, including Land Conveyance License Establishment and Contingencies and Music, Poison, &c., License Establishment and Contingencies, the total provision under Licensing Establishment amounting to Rs. 30,778, instead of Rs. 30,298." He said that Mr. Sorabjee Master, Superintendent of Licenses, was a most hard-working and deserving officer.

Professor Muller seconded the amendment, observing that he was unfortunately not present at the meeting of the Standing Committee when this part of the Schedule was passed. The promotion proposed in the amendment was to be given to a most deserving officer, who had rendered valuable services to the Municipality. It was a well-known fact that the work of his department was increasing every day.

The amendment being put to vote was carried.

The estimates for Fire Brigade were passed at Rs. 1,20,898; Public Gardens at Rs. 65,557; and the Public Works (Engineer's) Department at Rs. 15,40,570.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Dr. Bhalchandra observed that there was some difficulty about passing the estimates of expenditure for the Health Department. The tender for hay, grass, &c., which amounted to about Rs. 1,05,000, was not yet finally considered by the Standing Committee, and as the matter would be disposed of at the next meeting of the Committee, and the recommendation would be duly made to the Corporation to meet the formality, in the meantime, the consideration of the estimates of the Health Department be postponed until the 28th instant.

Accordingly the consideration of the estimates was postponed.

SECRETARY OF THE JOINT SCHOOLS COMMITTEE.

Dr. Bhalchandra moved that the budget estimates for the ensuing financial year for Education (including Veterinary College, &c., contributions) be passed at Rs. 1,04,408.

The Hon. Mr. N. N. Wadia seconded the proposal, reserving his remarks.

Dr. Viegas moved the following amendment:—That the minimum pay of the Secretary, Joint Schools Committee, be fixed at Rs. 200 per mensem, rising to the maximum of Rs. 350 per mensem, by annual increments of Rs. 10 per mensem. In support of his motion, he said that the Municipal Commissioner had not proposed the increase in the schedule to the Secretary of the Joint Schools Committee. The proposed increase was passed in the Standing Committee, because there were three members of the Joint Schools Committee on that board also, and the Chairman gave his casting vote in its favour.

Mr. Haji Yusuf seconded the amendment.

Mr. S. D. Khote remarked that the Municipal Commissioner had himself proposed the maximum salary in the budget to be Rs. 500. Everyone has an ambition to rise in this world, and it was natural that Dr. Viegas should aspire to the Presidential Chair, and there was nothing wrong on the part of the Joint Schools Committee in proposing the increase, as they found their secretary deserving of it in every way. That Committee was the best judge of his work.—(Hear, hear),—and recommendation coming from that body in direction should be accepted by the Corporation. The officer had any increase for the last 8 years, and considering the number of primary schools which had been increas-ing every year and adding to at the responsibilities appertaining thereto the maximum proposed was not too large nor was the Committee's recommendation either ambitions or pretentious. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Badrudin Kur, observed that he was always for economy, and in sympathy with Dr. Viegas, whenever retrenchment of salaries allowed to municipal officers was concerned, but he could not conscientiously do so in the present case, because he knew that the gentleman to whom the small increase per annum was proposed was in every way worthy of the promotion. The Joint Schools Committee had gone on increasing the number of their schools which entailed more heavy work and proportionate responsibilities on the secretary. By the establishment of Mahomedan schools the Committee had increased the sphere of their action, the number being increased from two to five. There was a likelihood of the work being still increased, and therefore the Corporation ought to adequately reward the secretary, who was indefatigable in his endeavours in promoting and disseminating primary education far and wide into the city.

Mr. P. N. Wadia was of opinion that the secretary deserved the promotion, since he had not had any increase for the last 8 years. Again, there was no chance of his rising in the department where there was no higher step. The argument advanced by Dr. Viegas in support of that contention was one which reduced itself from the sublime to the ridiculous. The Secretary was known to be a gentleman of great literary ability and talents, and considering the fact that besides the responsible and onerous duties he had to perform large sums of money pass in through his hands.

Mr. W. R. Hamilton supported the amendment, because he considered that the maximum put down by the Commissioner in the Schedule was quite adequate for the present.

The Hon. Mr. N. N. Wadia, chairman of the Joint Schools Committee, said that it would be admitted by all that the proper judges of the duties of the secretary were the members of the Committee, and no one else—(Hear, hear)—as to the work of the secretary. The Corporation having delegated to the Committee the business of conducting primary education in the city, they were bound to support them in the various recommendations they made in the conduct of such education. (Hear, hear) The Committee, in proposing an increase in the salary, had taken into consideration the work done by their secretary during the last eight years, and the increasing nature of the work and the responsibilities attending the same. Mr. Wadia next related the multifarious duties performed, by him and said that the numbers of schools and scholars being constantly on the increase, the Committee were of opinion that the services of their secretary, who took a keen interest in the promotion and dissemination of primary education in the city, should be adequately remunerated. He hoped the Corporation would loyally support the unanimous recommendation of his Committee. (Applause.)

Mr. Cotton thought that Mr. Hamilton made a mistake when he compared the young gentleman with an ordinary officer. He was not perhaps aware that the the secretary, though nominally under the Committee, was the principal Executive Officer. (Hear, hear.)

He was a chief executive officer in every sense of the word, and he hoped the Corporation would bear that in mind. He was last to support any increase which was not recommended by the Commissioner, but in the present instance, the Joint Schools Committee was a better judge than the Commissioner himself, who was perhaps not so much acquainted with the nature of the work done by that Committee and its secretary. The Corporation by way of encouraging the gentlemen would do well to support the recommendation of the Committee. (Hear, hear.)—

Dr. Katrak observed that Dr. Viegas proposed an increase of Rs. 50, whereas the Committee recommended only that of Rs. 25.

Dr. Viegas replied that it was a mistake in print.

Dr. Katrak: I have nothing to do with that; the figure is clearly shown here.

President: You are quite right.

Dr. Viegas: He is quite wrong. (Laughter.)

The President: You are quite wrong, Dr. Viegas. (Laughter).

Dr. Viegas: You did not pay any attention to my amending the figures.

Mr. Shroff: Order! Order!

The President: The printed paper in my hand contains the same figure as that stated by Dr. Katrak.

Dr. Katrak, continuing, said that Dr. Viegas had no right to change his figures without the permission of the Corporation when the matter was brought before the Standing Committee, where the Hon. Mr Dharamsi had strongly recommended the proposed increase in the secretary's salary.

Municipal Commissioner said that when he prepared the schedule he was not fully aware of the duties and responsibilities of the secretary office, and the nature of the work done by the Committee. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. K. N. Kabraji as a member of the Joint Schools Committee spoke of the increasing work of the committee, and the marked ability and skill brought to bear upon it by the secretary. Though the secretary was not a graduate of the University, he was much superior to the class of graduates, his literary abilities and attainments being as high as those possessed by some of the public-spirited men of the city. The nature of the work done by the secretary was much the same as that of Mr. Barrow, the Secretary of the Corporation, though not to the same extent. He had besides to attend to numerous reports submitted by the Inspectors, to look into and keep accounts, to guide the committee, and to inspect school-houses often, and to perform numerous other duties as their executive officer.

Dr. Bhalchandra said that the maximum salary recommended by the Joint-Schools Committee was retained by the Standing Committee, while the annual increment was fixed as proposed by the Commissioner.

The amendment was then put to the vote and lost, only three members voting for it.

The original proposition was then carried.

The amount for Municipal debt was passed at Rs. 21,42,900; pensions and gratuities and compassionate allowance at Rs. 50,000; police charges at Rs. 5,00,000; hospitals, &c., at Rs. 57,000; discretional contingencies at Rs. 7,000; auditors' allowance at Rs. 10,000; election expenses at Rs. 10,000; Municipal buildings, fire insurance fund, at Rs. 3,000, special extraordinary works at Rs. 99,841; investment of interest realised on sinking and Insurance, &c., funds, investments, at Rs. 1,03,600, investment of the net premia to be received on the second instalment of Rs. 5½ lakhs of the 3½ per cent., 15½ lakhs of loan to be raised in 1897-98, at Rs. 20,000, and the balance at the close of the year including one lakh required by law at Rs. 20,04,085.

MEDICAL RELIEF TO THE POOR SICK OF PLAGUE.

Dr. Viegas, having obtained priority to the consideration of his notice of motion, proposed that the Muncipal Commissioner be requested to consider the advisability of affording medical relief to the poor sick of the plague at their own houses.

The motion having been duly seconded,

The Municipal Commissioner said that the greatest difficulty the Health Department met with was to get the people to accept such assistance. One case, which he inspected, was that of a Mahomedan boy at Narelwady, where the patient and his relations positively declined to accept medical treatment at all. The same difficult was experienced in regard to the people at Worli. But, now, it appeared, there was a general inclination to accept such aid, and possibly some good would be done in that respect.

The motion was carried, after transacting some other business, the Corporation adjourned to Monday next.

THE FAMINE.

THE item of famine relief appears for the first time for some years in the accounts now published of the Bombay Government with the Government of India for the month of November last. The amount put down is Rs. 1,006-1-10, and this may be said to be only the starting point of an expenditure which is certain to absorb over a crore of rupees. It is understood that the estimated cost of famine relief in this Presidency is one crore and ten lakhs. The closing balance for November was Rs. 1,18,812, an unusually small amount.

The imports into Bombay of important exportable produce during November were as follows (in cwts.):—Raw cotton 291,659; wheat 143,541; linseed 51,748; rape and mustard 55,833, til or gingelly 145,084; poppy 15,044; earth nuts 3,822; castor seeds 67,534; other oil seeds 4,999; indigo 1,738. The imports of wheat were divided as follows:—British Provinces and Native States (all by rail), 15,308; by sea from Karachi, 113,857 cwts.; British ports in the Presidency, 125; Kathiawar 69; from the United Kingdom 112; Persia 2,045; Bussorah 12,025

The Governor-in-Council has appointed Surgeon-Captain J. B. Smith, B.A., M.D., M.Ch., on relief, to be District Medical Officer, Bijapur, under sections 48 and 173 of the Famine Relief Code.

The following officials have been appointed to be extra Fourth Grade Mamlatdars for purposes of Famine Relief in the Sholapur District:—Mr. Bapu Janardan Shrotri, Mr. Saivram Sadashiv Pitambar, Mr. Hari Pandurang Deshmukh, Mr. Vishnu Moreshwar Dabholkar, Mr. Vishnu Sadashiv Kelkar and Mr. Shanker Keshaw Sathe.

During the week ending on Wednesday evening, small silver coins for famine-relief purposes were transferred from the Bombay mint to the Customs House for export, to the value of Rs. 2,32,000.

BOMBAY SEASON REPORTS.

The following Season Reports for the week ending 19th January were published in yesterday's *Government Gazette*:—

Karachi.—River at Kotri on 18th, 3 feet 11 inches against 5 feet 5 inches on same date last year. Rabi crops flourishing, but slightly damaged by insects in Kohistan. Agricultural stock in good condition.

Shikarpur.—Rabi cultivation flourishing. Prices of food-grains 13 seers per rupee. Cattle healthy except in four talukas. Slight drizzling in two talukas. Fodder scarce.

Hyderabad.—Battal in progress. Rabi flourishing except in four talukas, where it was slightly damaged by frost. Cattle healthy except in two talukas. Rain in two talukas under 4 cents. Fodder sufficient. Average selling price unchanged, wheat being 8 seers, jowari 13 seers, bajri 12 seers and rad rice 14 seers per rupee in the district.

Upper Sind Frontier.—Kharif threshing continues. Rabi flourishing. Sukkur Canal flowing. Cattle healthy except in Kashmore Taluka to fodder sufficient. Prices of bajri and rice unchanged, of jowari fallen by 2 chattaks, of wheat risen by 3 chattaks per rupee.

Thar and Parkar.—Rabi in good condition except in one taluka, where it was slightly damaged by frost. Rain in three talukas under 12 cents. Cattle healthy except in one taluka. Average selling price unchanged, wheat being 8 and bajri 12 seers per rupee in the district.

Ahmedabad.—Reaping of jowari and pulse of sorts and picking of cotton in progress. Fodder supply sufficient. Agricultural stock in fair condition. Prices steady but high, jowari being 10 seers 40 tolas, bajri 9 seers 40 tolas, wheat 7 seers 40 tolas, and rice second sort 8 seers 40 tolas per rupee.

Panch Mahals.—Weather cloudy and very cold. Standing crops and agricultural stock in good condition. Fodder supply and labour sufficient. Prices stationary.

Kaira.—(For week ending 19th January 1897).—Rabi crops in fairly good condition. Fodder supply sufficient, though somewhat dear. Agricultural stock healthy. Prices of bajri 9 seers, rice 8 seers and wheat 7 seers. Cattle healthy except in one taluka.

Broach.—Rain during week 2 cents in petha mahal Hansot. Cotton picking and reaping of jowari and lang continue in places. Standing crops doing well. Prospects and probable outturn of crops fair. Condition of fodder supply good and agricultural stock healthy. Fall in the prices of food-grains this week from 4 to 2½ lbs. in the Jambusar Taluka and petha mahal Hansot. Prices stationary in Broach, Amod, Vagra and Ankleswar talukas.

Surat.—(For week ending 16th January 1897).—Reaping of jowar and tur completed in all the talukas except in the Mandvi Taluka. Cotton picking in progress. Other rabi crops in fair condition. Outturn of jowar in Jalalpor 9 annas and in other talukas from 10 to 12 annas. Cotton outturn is expected from 8 to 12 annas. Agricultural stock good Prices stationary in all the talukas except Jalalpor, where it has fallen by annas 2 per Bengal maund, whereas at Mandvi it has risen by 5 annas 3 pies per maund. Current rate of food-grain (jowar) at Olpad 13 seers 2 chhataks, Chorasi 13 seers, Bardoli 12 seers 5 chhataks, Jalalpor 13 seers 4 chhataks, Chikhli 11 seers 8 chhataks, Bulsar 11 seers 7 chhataks, Pardi 10 seers 7 chhataks, and Mandvi 12 seers 5 chhataks per rupee.

Khandesh.—No rain during week. Total rainfall during season at Dhulia 26 inches 82 cents. Average fall in the district 24 inches 93 cents. Cotton picking completed. Harvesting of Kharif in progress. Reaping of gram and wheat commenced in parts. Standing crops in fair condition. Grass scanty in parts. Agricultural stock in fairly good condition except in Parola taluka. Prices of food-grains, wheat 7 seers 11 chhataks, bajri 8 seers 5 chhataks, jowari 9 seers 10 chhataks, rice 6 seers 4 chhataks, against 7 seers 11 chhataks, 8 seers 2 chhataks, 9 seers 7 chhataks, 6 seers 3 chhataks, respectively, per rupee last week. Number of relief works, in progress 8; number of persons on works 8,980. Number of non-working children 3,993. Besides the above there are 8 Local Fund and other road works in progress, and the number of men working is 1,942.

Nasik.—(For week ending 18th January 1897).—Total rainfall during season 33 inches 34 cents. Rain urgently wanted throughout the district. Threshing of Kharif crops continues. Sowing of rabi completed in bagayat lands, but stopped in jirayat lands for want of rain. Season for sowing over. Fodder scarce in most talukas. Prices almost stationary, bajri being 8 seers 7 7 tolas, jowari 9 seers 68 tolas and nagli 11 seers 10 tolas. Cattle healthy except in parts of Dindori and Niphad talukas. Number of people employed on Local Boards 710. Average daily number of people under the Pub ic Works Department work 18,325. Number of persons on gratuitous relief 2.

Colaba Bombay.—Rain 0·01 inch on 16th. Abnormal temperature 1° cool on 13th, 1° warm on 14th, 4° cool on 15th and 17th, 5° cool on 16th, 2° cool on 18th and 3° cool on 19th. Vapour in air normal on 13th, 14th and 15th, and defective on all other days. Abnormal wind southerly on 17th and 18th. Wind normal on all other days.

Thana.—Rab spreading in progress. Threshing of kharif and warkas crops finished except in Mahim and Bassein talukas. State of rabi crops fair in four talukas and indifferent in other talukas. Fodder sufficient. Cattle healthy except in Shahapur Taluka.

Kolaba.—No rain during week. Threshing completed. Rab carting and collection in progress. Rab burning commenced at Kurjat. Rabi crops fair. Prices of food-grains 8 seers 60 tolas in Alibag and generally stationary elsewhere. Fodder supply sufficient. Agricultural stock good.

Ratnagiri.—Sowing of summer crops completed. Young crops fair. Slight rise of prices in Rajapur and slight fall in Malvan and Vengurla talukas. Cattle healthy except in Vengurla, Deogad and Rajapur talukas and Mandangad Petha.

Poona.—Total rainfall during season at district head-quater station 43 inches 41 cents. Rainfall insufficient throughout the district. Standing rabi crops lately sown in some places are withering for want of rain. Fodder insufficient. Agricultural stock in poor condition. There is a slight fall in the prices of food-grains in the Khed and Haveli talukas and rise in the price of jowari in the Indapur, Sirur, Bhimthadi and Purandhar talukas. Prices in the remaining two talukas are stationary.

Ahmednagar.—No rain during week. Standing crops in fair condition. Fodder supply getting scarce. Condition of cattle same as last week. District average price of jowari 10 seers 40 tolas per rupee. Average daily number on relief works 25,947. Non-working children 14,049. Number on gratuitous relief 29.

Sholapur.—(For week ending 16th January 1897).—Total rainfall during season at Sholapur 15 inches 87 cents, Barsi 16 inches 42 cents, Madha 8 inches 66 cents, Karmala 10 inches 55 cents, Pandharpur 10 inches 90 cents, Sangola 8 inches 11 cents and Malsiras 8 inches 52 cents. Rain wanted throughout the district. Rabi crops already sown and standing crops in some fields are in good condition, but the crops lately sown are withering for want of rain. Fodder quite insufficient. Agricultural stock in poor condition. Slight rise in the price of jowari in Barsi and Pandharpur talukas. Average price of jowari 11 seers 10 chhataks. Average daily number on relief works 43,118.

Satara.—No rain during week. Condition of standing rabi crops fair. Jowari 19 lbs. 18 tolas and bajri 17 lbs. 8 tolas per rupee. Water-supply fair. Fodder scanty. Average daily number of labourers on relief works 10,729, non-working children 4,072. Recipients of village relief 2.

Bijapur.—No rain during week. Standing rabi crops in a fair condition along river banks, elsewhere almost withered. Prices of fodder the same as last week. State of agricultural stock bad. Water-supply failing in places. Slight fall in the price of jowari in the Indi, Bijapur and Bagavadi talukas, and rise in the Bagalkot Taluka; prices stationary elsewhere. Average daily number on relief works 50,291; number of non-working children 17,427. Recipients of gratuitous dole 3,428.

Belgaum.—No rain during week. Rabi standing crops withering. Prices of staple food-grains higher in Belgaum, jowari being 12, bajri 12 and rice 9 seers per rupee. Fodder insufficient and dear. Condition of agricultural stock fair. Average daily number of labourers on relief works 2,107; non-working children 542. Recipients of gratuitous dole 1,650. Scarcity of water in Athni Taluka.

Dharwar.—No rain during week. Kharif harvest nearly completed. Rabi crops fair except in Ron, Nargund and Mundargi, where they are withering. Condition of agriculturists fair, of artizans middling, of labourers and cattle indifferent in the affected parts. Food-grains and water supply generally sufficient. Fodder insufficient in affected parts. Price of jowari 13 seers and 3 chhataks.

Kanara.—No rain during week. Weeding of second crop progressing. Gardens and agricultural stock good.

Rajkot.—Watering of wheat and sugarcane, cotton-picking and pressing of sugarcane in progress. Average price of bajri, jowari, wheat and gram 9 seers, 10 seers 35 tolas, 7 seers 30 tolas, and 7 seers 40 tolas, respectively, per rupee. No marked rise or fall in the prices since last week. Weather extremely cold.

Wadhwan.—Weather very cold. Cotton-picking in progress in certain places. Price of bajri 9 1-2 seers and jowari 11 seers per rupee.

Baroda.—Public health, agricultural stock and standing crops fair. Cotton-picking going on in Baroda and Navsari divisions. Poppy plants are in good condition, but outturn is below average, being estimated at 14 annas in the rupee. Prices of bajri 17 lbs., wheat 17 lbs., rice superior 13 lbs., and inferior 18 lbs. per British rupee. No relief works in progress.

THE IRISH ARISTOCRACY AND THE NEW MOVEMENT.

MR. STANDISH O'GRADY writes in the *Westminster*:—Since the latter end of the eighteenth century the Irish aristocracy have ceased to be a manifest force in the life of the country. They led the nation in the revolution which culminated (in 1782) in the declaration of Irish independence, but they and the people parted company very soon after that event. This was inevitable, for the people demanded political rights—that is to say, being the majority, political power—and the aristocracy a comparatively small body of men, alien in race, language, and religion to the vast majority of the people, believed that the latter, having acquired political power would despoil them of their possessions. Lord Clare used this fear effectively to secure their consent to the Act of Union. The same alarm and apprehension has divided them from the people down to the present time, when they are again coming forward and mingling with the national life. The fact is that the Imperial Parliament has already taken from them almost every privilege and advantage of which the Irish people could with any show of justice deprive them. The best and boldest of them do not now fear their own people, whereas most of them are beginning to regard the Imperial Parliament with a very serious and a very just apprehension.

That they will find their advantage in joining earnestly with the rest of the nation in this new movement is evident. In the first place, it brings them into cordial relations with the people while it diverts from themselves and concentrates upon the Treasury and upon the Imperial fiscal system all that popular wrath which they have had the objects long. The popular mind is too complex or subtle: it cannot hold in view at the same time two considerable purposes. The people cannot pursue an agrarian war at home and an international war directed upon the Imperial Treasury. In the second place, the redress of Irish financial grievances, even to a moderate extent will be distinctly beneficial to themselves. It will enable the people to pay their rents more easily and cheerfully, while the abolition of Income Tax, one of the objects aimed at, will be a direct and appreciable relief. By the way, it is a mistake to suppose that it has been too often alleged that this Irish peasantry have a rooted and inveterate objection to the payment of rent. In good years they pay their rents very cheerfully. A gentleman who practises as a land agent in both countries on an extensive scale assured me lately that, when they can, Irish farmers pay their rents with less complaining and grumbling than do English farmers. B lieve it who, will I have collected rents myself and endorsed the statement. Another reason why our landlords are coming forward and joining with such alacrity in the new movement is, I am doubtful, the very humane pleasure of striking back, in what they regard as a perfectly righteous cause, at the British statesmen who so recently directed against themselves. Conservatives and Unionists as they are, a very unexpected measure of agrarian legislation. As it is, a carrying of the war into Africa will compel the British statesman to look at home in defence of his Treasury, and compel him to lay aside any further agrarian schemes which he may be hatching. Also, no doubt, with a great many of them there is a sentiment of duty and honour concerned, a manly sense of what they owe to their country, especially when the people themselves are inviting and encouraging them to come forward and take the lead. The Lord-Lieutenants, and Lieutenants, and High Sheriffs of counties, who have presided over the various county meetings recently held have done so in pursuance of invitations which emanated from Town Councillors and Poor-Law Guardians, who are the local elected representatives of the people, and are, for the most part, farmers and shopkeepers.

The path upon which they have been invited to enter commends itself at the same time to their perception of their own interests or to their sense of duty and patriotism. It is a path of safety and security and honour.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

JANUARY 21.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

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CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect. Via Bhamo, prefect.

AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz-Teneriffe, perfect. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.
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(*Bombay Government Gazette*, January 21.)

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS, &c.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr W T Morison, I C S, on relief, to act as Poll Agent, Akalkot.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr R A L Morris, I C S, on return to duty, to act as Agent to H E the Governor, Surat.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr Kenneth Charles Rushton to be third grade Assistant Superintendent of Police, on probation, and to place him in the charge of the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Ahmednagar, pending further orders.

Messrs C G H Fawcett and R S Thomas respectively delivered over and received charge on the forenoon of the 19th instant, as Joint Sessions Judge, Surat, on the 2nd December 1896, to the forenoon.

Mr R R Hanwate, I C S, Assistant Collector and Magistrate of the first class in the district of Ahmednagar, is invested with additional power, specified.

Azam S A Gole, acting Head Karkun, taluka Sirur in the district of Poona, is appointed under Section 37 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to be a Magistrate of the third class in that district, and is invested with additional powers specified.

The Governor in Council is pleased to place Mr R P Barrow, I C S, Assistant Collector and Magistrate of the first class in charge of Sirur in the district of Poona, in addition to his duties in charge of the sub-division of that district comprising the talukas of Baramati and Bijapur.

H E in Council is further pleased, under Section 37 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1882, to invest Mr Barrow with additional powers, as specified.

Head in Council is further pleased to empower Mr Barrow to call for and examine the record of any proceeding before any inferior criminal court situate within the local limits of his jurisdiction.

Azam N K Kumthekar substantive pro tem Head Karkun, taluka Chalisgaon, and Azam G A Kulkarni, substantive pro tem Head Karkun, taluka Yawal in the district of Khandesh, are appointed under Sec 12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1882, to be Magistrates of the third class in that district, and are invested with additional powers specified.

Rao Saheb N S Athavale relinquished charge of the Second Class Subordinate Judge's Court at Ahmednagar on the Forenoon of the 4th Jan 1897, in the afternoon.

Rao Saheb V N Patwardhan, Second Class Subordinate Judge, Ahmednagar, has been permitted by H M Secretary of State for India to return to duty within the period of his leave.

In exercise of the power conferred by clause 1 of Section 3 of the Bombay Mamlatdars' Courts Act, 1876, H E the Governor in Council is pleased to authorise the undermentioned officers in the case of Poona to exercise within their respective talukas the powers of a Mamlatdar under the said Act:—Azam Vasudev Mali, Head Karkun, taluka Junnar; Azam G D Phadnakar, Head Karkun, taluka Khed; Azam V M Dabholkar, Head Karkun, taluka Haveli; Azam R R Joshi, Head Karkun, taluka Mawal; Azam N R Tidke, Head Karkun, taluka Purandhar; Azam G D Vartak, Head Karkun, taluka Bhimthadi; Azam R D Sahasrabudhe, Head Karkun, taluka Indapur, Azam S A Gotse, Head Karkun, taluka Sirur; and Azam W G Ekbote, Head Karkun, taluka Dhond.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr H L Painter, I C S, to be Assistant Collector, Broach.

Mr B Winchester, I C S, of the district of Satara, is allowed special leave on urgent private affairs for three months and fifteen days.

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